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TIME-TABLE.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ... Dep.	6.37	8.00	8.35	9.15	10.09	12.02	1.15	2.37	3.00	4.37
Yammat ... Dep.	6.45	—	—	9.24	10.18	12.09	1.21	—	—	4.44
Shatin ... Dep.	6.57	—	—	9.36	10.28	12.21	1.34	—	—	4.56
Taipei ... Dep.	7.11	—	—	9.49	10.42	12.34	1.47	—	—	5.09
TaipeiMarket ... Dep.	7.18	—	—	9.53	10.46	12.38	1.51	—	—	5.13
Fanning ... Dep.	7.27	—	—	10.03	10.56	12.48	2.01	—	—	5.23
Shuanghui ... Dep.	7.32	—	—	10.08	11.00	12.53	2.06	3.14	—	5.28
Shamshan ... Dep.	7.38	8.40	9.08	10.14	11.06	12.59	2.12	3.18	3.40	5.34
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Shamshan ... Arr.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shuanghui ... Dep.	7.14	8.01	10.18	10.49	11.09	11.40	8.00	4.17	4.48	5.52
Fanning ... Dep.	7.21	8.08	10.25	10.54	—	—	—	4.24	4.52	5.59
TaipeiMarket ... Dep.	7.28	8.12	10.29	—	—	—	—	4.28	4.58	6.03
Taipei ... Dep.	7.36	8.23	10.39	—	—	—	—	4.32	5.02	6.13
Shatin ... Dep.	7.40	8.27	10.43	11.06	—	—	—	4.36	5.06	6.18
Shamshan ... Dep.	7.53	8.40	10.56	—	—	—	—	4.39	5.09	6.21
Yammat ... Dep.	8.07	8.53	11.09	—	—	—	—	4.43	5.13	6.25
Kowloon ... Arr.	8.13	8.58	11.14	11.31	11.49	12.58	3.57	5.14	5.41	6.47

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PORTUGUESE WARSHIP AT SHANGHAI.

INTERESTING EXPERIENCES UNDER TWO FLAGS.

In another week or ten days the Portuguese man-of-war *Republica* will probably sail away for Macao and the *Admiral* which is expected here shortly will take her place, says the *North China Daily News*.

[The *Admiral* was in port here yesterday en route for Shanghai.]
Before the *Republica* goes, however, one is pleased to have learned that some of the best port wine in the Far East is comprised in the captain's cellar, that the ship has been talking on short waves of wireless with astonishing frequency with Barcelona and Rio de Janeiro, not to mention a contact with Lisbon.

A Ship With A History.

The history of the *Republica*, likewise, interesting. She was built under the British Emergency War programme, a unit of the Azalea group, and called the *Gladiolus*. She belongs, therefore, to the "Flower" class of sloops. Sold to Portugal in 1920 she was rechristened with her present significant name.

Her service began during the war; the *Republica* was launched in October, 1915. To describe the ship with the accuracy of Jane's manual is to learn that she has a displacement of 1,260 tons and measures 255 x 33 x 11 feet. Her draft is 14 feet. Her armament consists of two 4-inch two 3-inch anti-aircraft guns, and four 3-pounders (Hotchkiss). She is capable of making 17 knots.

Assistance To Aviators.

Shortly after she came into the possession of Portugal, along with several others of her class of which a number were bought by other European countries from Great Britain, she received the opportunity of her career when the Portuguese fliers, Admiral Cotinbo and Commander Saadoura Cabral, set out on their adventurous flight from Lisbon to Rio de Janeiro. It was necessary for them to stop midway between Cape Verde and Rio, an extraordinary insignificant clump of rocks in the middle of the ocean being designated for the rendezvous, the other party at which was to be the *Republica*. How the aviators gauged their distance with minute accuracy and met the ship at the appointed place made one of the epic in hazardous long-flight aviation and proved incidentally the value of knowing the firmament to the tiniest blinking star, as the aviators had made use of astronomy to perform this feat.

After that the *Republica* went back to Lisbon, and in 1924 set off on a routine cruise of about nine months' duration, around Africa, from the West to the East Coast and back again to Lisbon through the Suez Canal.

Landing Party At Shanghai.

On March 10th, the *Republica* came to Shanghai. Since that time a landing party from the ship has shared in the responsibility of providing defences for the Settlement, and the 3,000 members of the Portuguese community have been gratified with the knowledge that the ship was here. The ship's officers, moreover, speak highly of the hospitality with which the community have regaled them.

There are 11 officers in the *Republica*, a majority of whom are junior officers. The career of the captain of the ship, and commander in chief of the Portuguese forces in the Far East, Commander G. Ivens Ferraz, makes especially interesting reading. It is because of his position as commander-in-chief that he will leave in the near future on the *Republica* for Macao where a transport full of Zulu soldiers and an aeroplane contingent will arrive early next month for the garrison at the colony.

Career Of The Commodore.

Commodore Ferraz has served many years on the coast of East Africa where he spent much time at the colony of Mozambique. He took part in the Gunguhana War, that struggle between the Portuguese and the powerful Zulu tribe in the former's colonial contests, and it was during this that he received the Portuguese V.O. or the Order of the Tower and the Sword. During the Great War he was officer in charge of Portuguese troops on the five British transports running between Lisbon and Brest (Continued at foot of next column).

MAKING IRELAND UP TO DATE.

ELECTRIC POWER FROM THE SHANNON.

GOOD PROGRESS OF £5,000,000 SCHEME.

LIMERICK.
Can Ireland be made prosperous by the pushing of a button? In other words, will the Shannon scheme, with its promise of cheap electricity for all, reduce the country's economic handicap imposed by the importation of oil and coal?

But whether for good or evil this ambitious engineering feat, which will cost about £5,000,000, is making good progress, and the steel standards that will support the distributing lines are rising daily throughout Southern Ireland.

The German firm of Siemens, Schuckert know their job, which is to produce current. How it will be sold is a question for the board authorised by the recent Shannon Electricity Supply Bill, but still to be formed.

Opponents of the scheme suggest that for several years current supplied to Dublin will not be cheaper on account of the preferential treatment quoted to the outlying farmer, who, they suggest, will not demand electricity because he is still in the candle stage.

Supporters of the scheme retort that the farmer does not count compared with urban industries. They declare that unless Ireland is to continue importing many millions' worth of goods from Great Britain more than she is sending across the Irish Sea cheap electricity is imperative.

Limerick A New City.

Meanwhile the Shannon scheme has meant the transformation of Limerick, the city of which the late Mr. Tyrrell once said that it was the only city in Europe in which a bitter, the street of birds, could still be seen standing on one leg in the middle of the main street in the middle of the day. Now the employment of about 400 German technicians and about 2,000 Irish labourers has introduced the strenuous life into the old sleepy city.

Although the Germans are socially exclusive they are doing extremely well out of the scheme, and some who have bought big places near Limerick have apparently come to stay. The German colony has its own houses, club and school, with German teachers brought over from the Fatherland.

KALGOORLIE GOLDFIELDS.

INQUIRY COMMISSION'S REPORT.

MELBOURNE.

While stating that the Kalgoolie goldfields are at present in a desperate plight owing to the neglect of developments on a large scale, the Development and Migration Commission, in a report to the Federal Government, expresses optimism concerning the future of gold-mining in Western Australia generally if proper steps are taken. The Commission recommends the consolidation of the Kalgoolie mines into two groups, western and eastern, together with the expenditure of £150,000 on capital improvements, including experimental work. Otherwise, the report says, there will be a total collapse, possibly involving other districts. Other essentials are additional plant, a vigorous policy for ore development, and the stabilisation of labour and working costs. The Commission adds that the determination of co-operative action by the Federal and State Governments depends largely on the measures taken by the companies and their employees for the internal reorganisation of the industry and the support given to their efforts by investors in Australia and elsewhere.

and Cherbourg, and it was for this service that he received the Order of St. Michael and St. George from the British Government.

Commodore Ferraz is also connoisseur of Chinese and Japanese curios as the interior of his cabin shows, and as has already been mentioned he is a connoisseur of wines, the latter not to be lightly passed over in an age which likes the product of the connoisseur without wishing to take the pains to acquire the connoisseur's facility.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.
Declaration of American Independence.
Birthdays of President C. Coolidge.
Golf: Captain's Cup, Fanning.
Baseball: Single Men v. Married Men (H.K.B.C.). Happy Valley.
Diamond, 4 p.m.
American Community "at home" to friends H.K. Hotel Roof Garden, 4-6.30 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Social for Servicemen, St. Peter's Y.M.C., 8.30 p.m.
Dinner: Damsant, at Cafe Restaurant Parisien.
Queen's Theatre: "The Beloved Rogue."
World Theatre: "Held By The Law."
Star Theatre: "The Rainbow Trail" (matinees only).
Wilbur Players present "Alias the Deacon" Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mail: Inward: U.S.A., etc. (President Grant and President Van Buren). Outward: Canada, U.S.A., etc., Europe via San Francisco and via Siberia (President Jefferson), 5 p.m.

Tuesday.
Extraordinary General Meeting of The Hong Kong and Kowloon Taxicab Company, Ltd., to pass resolution to wind up Company, No. 35, Des Voeux Road Central, noon.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m. and King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
Servicemen's Concert "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A. Chater Road, 6.30 p.m.
Dinner Damsant at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and after dinner dance at Lee Gardens.
Opening Night Fete, Victoria Recreation Club, 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Beloved Rogue."
World Theatre: "The Wizard of Oz."
Star Theatre: "Partners Again" (matinees only).
Wilbur Players present "Spooks," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Principal Mail: Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Parthos), 1.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Paul Leaf), 5.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Glengyle), 5 p.m.

Wednesday.
Twenty-Six Ordinary General Meeting, William Powell, Ltd., offices of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Building, noon.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Lawn Tennis League: "C" Division: C.R.C. v. C.C.C. Volley Ball—Inter School Final: Tutorial Institute v. St. Paul's College, at Chinese Y.M.C.A.
H.K. Football Association annual meeting, Volunteer Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.
Dinner Damsant at Cafe Restaurant Parisien and King Edward Hotel.
Queen's Theatre: "The Beloved Rogue."
World Theatre: "The Wizard of Oz."
Star Theatre: "Partners Again" (matinees only).
Wilbur Players present "Spooks," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Thursday.
Legislative Council meeting, 2.30 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Lawn Tennis League: "C" Division: C.R.C. v. Taikoo R.C. H.K. Radio Society annual meeting, S.C.M.P. Building, 5.30 p.m.
K.O.S.B. Whist Drive, Mount Austin Barracks.
Dinner Damsant at Cafe Restaurant Parisien, and after Dinner Dance at Lee Gardens.
Police Branch of M.C.L./Whist Drive in aid of League Funds, Helena May Institute.
Queen's Theatre: "The Road to Yesterday."
World Theatre: "The Night Life of New York."
Star Theatre: "The Wizard of Oz" (matinees only).
Wilbur Players present "The Rosary," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Friday.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m., and King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.
Dinner Damsant at Cafe Restaurant Parisien.
Ping Pong Tournament, St. Peter's Young Men's Club.
Queen's Theatre: "The Road to Yesterday."
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RURAL CONDITIONS IN INDIA.

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The Royal Commission on Indian Agriculture, of which Lord Linlithgow is chairman, has issued an interim report of the evidence taken at Simla of officers serving the Government of India. The report, which fills 400 octavo pages, throws new light on conditions of rural life, and deserves attention not only from the agricultural economist, but from all who are interested in the health, education, and general advancement of the Indian population.

Dr. Clouston, the Agricultural Adviser, the first witness, holds that the Government of India should be responsible for the co-ordination of research work in the provinces, and should supplement the work of their Agricultural and Veterinary Departments. The present Board of Agriculture in India is handicapped by the fact that it has been given no funds and no executive powers.

Dr. Clouston drew a depressing picture of the present state of an industry which provides three-fourths of the 320 millions of India with a means of livelihood. The land is largely in the hands of owners who are rent collectors rather than agriculturists. The idea seems to prevail that the agriculturist requires but a modicum of brains, capital, and enterprise, and that he can be relied on to work out his own salvation on empirical lines. The cultivator has many predators to contend against. In the Central Provinces, for instance, wild pigs abound everywhere and make nightly raids on cane, *juar* (the large millet), rice, and other crops, on which they feed all night, returning to their haunts in the jungle in the early morning. Semi-wild cattle, though of limited numbers and local occurrence, do an enormous amount of damage to crops. To destroy these animals would offend the religious prejudices of the Hindus; to construct a fencing that will keep them out of the field is too expensive to be a practical proposition. The types of fencing used locally are inefficient, even for the purpose of keeping out the wild pig and the jackal.

The rural population is often of poor physique and easily succumbs to epidemics. Disease has reduced expectation of life in India to less than half what it is in countries like Great Britain.

Dietetic Defects.
Colonel Graham gave the Commission interesting information on the dietary of the people and its effect upon health, so far as this has been investigated. The great differences in physical efficiency of the Indian races is traced to differences of diet. The vast majority of the people of the countryside depend on rice, wheat, barley, millet, maize, vegetables, and fruit; and, as milk, eggs, and

meat are not eaten to any extent by the masses, the diet is deficient in important particulars. Colonel Graham told the commission that he had no doubt that malnutrition is one of the outstanding difficulties in improving agriculture, "because your inefficient, disease-ridden population is not going to apply itself to the land in the way that an efficient population would."

The Chairman asked Dr. Clouston, if every increase in fertility of the soil and in output of agricultural produce is met, as in the past, by an increase in the population, is there likely to be any raising of the standard of living? He replied that he did not think there could be much unless some form of birth control is practised. Very early marriage is the main cause of the rising birth-rate. Subsequently he mentioned that the population of India has increased by a hundred millions in the last 50 years.

Educational Needs.
Much of the evidence concerned the educational needs of rural India, where illiteracy is the rule and not the exception. Mr. J. A. Ritchey, then Educational Commissioner, with the Government of India, stated that it is generally accepted that agriculture, as apart from simple nature lessons, is not a subject which can be taught in a primary school, and no attempt to do so is authorized by educational departments. Agricultural middle schools are strictly technical or craft schools providing a course in agriculture of a practical character for boys who have received the general education up to about the age of 13. Bombay alone maintains that these schools have been a success. The ordinary agriculturist in India either does not send his boy to school at all or sends him for a few years only while he is too young to be of use to his parents, or sends him in the hope that he may find some other opening than agriculture. "Agriculture without capital," agriculture as he has seen it carried on by his father, offers few attractions to an intelligent schoolboy."

The agricultural colleges, with their wellfounded laboratories and staffs of specialists, fulfil an indispensable function in the agricultural development of the provinces. Dr. Clouston, noting that three provinces are without such colleges, said that without a higher teaching institution a provincial department of agriculture cannot effectively bridge the gulf between the researcher and the tiller of the soil. On the general question of adapting rural education to rural needs, he said that as yet little had been done to give effect to resolutions of the Board of Agriculture on the subject.

TOYS IN SUNKEN "MOLTKE."

AND CAT-O'-NINE-TAILS.

STROMNESS, Orkney Islands.
A British air pump built by German engineers into the German engine-room, and toys that German stokers left half-made when they scuttled their battle-cruiser *Moltke* in Scapa Flow with the rest of their surrendered fleet, were among the things found in the engine-rooms of the sunken *Moltke*, in 70 feet of water.

The air pump had been made by Lord Weir's company at Glasgow. Its installation here is surely a compliment to British engineering, for the *Von Moltke*, sister-ship to the *Goeben*, famous for her Dardanelles exploits, was built for speed.

In the 80 feet of space from one bunker wall to another and for 100 feet sternwards men work freely, smoking, talking, and using acetylene cutters. But they cannot whistle. He would have lungs as strong as an air compressor who could whistle in compressed air. In these engine rooms hang upside-down the eight vast turbines which developed 70,000 horse-power and drove the *Von Moltke* in her pride at 27 knots. Now one sees them merely as great masses of steel covered with thick, muddy rust.

A toy spring gun that a German mechanic had apparently been making for some child in his homeland was shown to me, and I was told of fancy daggers made of sheet brass and of a half-made kettledrum found earlier.

A cat-o'-nine-tails, with leather thongs 14in. long was found in the stokehold. Packed in a hamper in a German newspaper with the print still legible after eight years' immersion, a complete dinner service was found and now serves the sailors.

"EIGHTH WONDER OF THE WORLD."

CLOCK THAT TOOK 3 YEARS
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VIENNA, June 1st.

The hour was struck for the first time at 1 p.m. to-day by a remarkable historical and musical clock in Vienna on which artists, goldsmiths, and sculptors began work in 1911. The Viennese claim that it is a new "Wonder of the World."

The clock has been set up in the Hohe Markt, Vienna.

Twelve historical figures appear, each on the first stroke of the hour, and each parades for sixty minutes, his appearance being accompanied by appropriate music. Thus Marcus Aurelius steps out at one o'clock to the notes of the Pindar Victory Ode, Charlemagne at two o'clock to the notes of the Hildebrand Song.

From three till four Duke Leopold the Glorious, of the House of Babenberg, holds the stage with his consort, the beautiful Theodora, Princess of Brabant, their appearance being signalled by the Song of the Nibelungs. The poet Walther von der Vogelweide is accompanied by his own "Crusaders' Song."

Rudolf von Hapsburg and his wife appear from five till six; from seven till eight the Emperor Maximilian I. Burgomaster Liebenberg, the mayor who held Vienna against the Turks, appears at 8 p.m. to the music of the ballad, "Oh, du lieber Augustin"; Prince Eugene at ten, Maria Theresa and Franz von Lothringen at eleven; and at twelve Haydn, the musician, appears to the notes of a passage from the "Creation."

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WHY FILM STARS FAIL?

PLAY MATTERS MORE THAN
THE PLAYERS.

MISS SWANSON AND MISS
NORMA TALMADGE.

[BY IRIS BARRY.]

Several of the big film producing firms seem to have decided that the vogue of many of the established screen artists is waning. Keen observers of film affairs expect during the next year or so, not only to see many new stars, but also to witness strenuous efforts on the part of actors and actresses already famous to maintain their hold on the public's affections.

Quite recently both Miss Gloria Swanson and Miss Norma Talmadge, for instance, have appeared in films much more carefully made than has been recently the case with either of them. Miss Swanson, in "The Love of Sunya," and Miss Talmadge, in "Camille," were infinitely more attractively photographed, played more interesting roles, and played them much better.

Not long ago Miss Swanson was considered the most popular of film actresses. Her popularity has declined since, largely because she has for some time past appeared in second-rate pictures. Miss Talmadge has also suffered something of an eclipse. The absurd "star" system, of course, is largely to blame. There was long a theory that a film company had only to sign up a popular star and then let him or her appear in any kind of inconsequent nonsense in order to continue success. The cinema proprietors were expected to book their films and the public to flock in to see them, solely on the strength of the star's name.

The stars themselves fell into the habit of demanding dozens of close-up views of their faces in every picture, on the score that if the public likes a face it likes it often and large. But the public is not so stupid as many believe.

The reason Miss Swanson and Miss Talmadge became famous was that they had appeared in interesting films to advantage. Neither of them is strictly beautiful, but Miss Swanson, with her pert nose, has style and a gift for interpreting the high-spirited, "gentlemanly" modern girl.

Miss Talmadge proved herself long ago in "The Passion Flower" an actress of ability, and in many another picture has conveyed moods and emotions with sincerity. But both these performers have appeared far too often in uninteresting pictures.

The film public, in England at any rate, is extraordinarily loyal. Miss Talmadge's performance in "Camille" will thrill thousands of women; Miss Swanson in "The Love of Sunya" (though it is not a good picture, only considerably better than her former ones) will win back many admirers.

That they will ever regain their full popularity is open to doubt; but by appearing in good films instead of poor ones they will undoubtedly make up lost ground. A good film will make an unknown actress world famous in a few months; a succession of bad ones will shatter the prospects of the most celebrated star.

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BATTLESHIPS AND THE SINGAPORE BASE.

(By Sir Herbert Russell.)

I suppose it is permissible to apply a term usually associated with army strategy to a corresponding principle in naval policy. Therefore, I am referring to the Mediterranean as the "interior line." I admit that a "line" of more than 2,000 miles in length means rather stretching the definition. But in this case it is the idea which matters more than the specific or even the strictly legitimate application of it.

A good many years ago, and well before the German menace had reared its head above the horizon, the late Sir William Laird Clowes started, and maintained, a considerable controversy upon the question of either the strategic wisdom or the economic justification for keeping such a large proportion of British sea power permanently stationed in the Mediterranean. The Atlantic Fleet, originally based on Gibraltar as a sort of connecting link with the Mediterranean and Home Forces, had not then come into existence, and the disposition of our striking strength was as follows: Mediterranean, 15 battleships, all of the latest classes; home waters, the Channel Fleet, 8 battleships, and the Home Fleet, in which the old *Royal Sovereign* class were the only battleships of (doubtful) first-line value (and which, in fact, was created by the process of correspondingly eliminating the Reserve Fleet); China, 6 battleships of the *Glory* class and two of the *Barfleur* class. I am not extending the comparison to other types of warships. In those days, very much more than now, the battleship was the material expression of distributive policy. We then had in full commission four battle fleets, shortly to be increased to five by the establishment of the Atlantic Fleet. The "Baltic Fleet" was an afterthought, a sort of "forlorn hope" created by applying the nucleus crew system to a collection of obsolete craft which, as far as I remember, never left their dockyard basins.

Malta Too Far.

The contention of Sir Laird Clowes was that this disposition of sea power represented an inversion of right principles. It was exaggerating the importance of the Mediterranean at the expense of the importance of the Narrow Seas. France was still our hereditary objective, and she could menace this country in the Channel very much more effectively than in the Mediterranean. Therefore it seemed reasonable to argue that our primary Fleet should be in home waters, and not based on Malta, 2,000 miles away. Naturally this thesis furnished fine scope for controversy. One school demonstrated quite convincingly that the distribution of naval force then existing was the best possible, and that the Mediterranean must always remain our primary focal zone. Another school showed, equally convincingly, that with France, Germany, and Russia very much more contiguous to the Narrow Seas than to the Mediterranean (omitting Toulon and the Black Sea from the idea of direct menace to British shores) it was obviously the proper doctrine to keep our most powerful fleet in the Channel. What might be called a third school, including the Cabinet and the Admiralty, paid no apparent heed to the two until the contention of Sir William Laird Clowes became effective for a reason which he had not foreseen, or at any rate laid no stress upon, at the time he started the controversy.

The Post War Era.

The end of the Great War found a completely new situation in the Mediterranean. France, the traditional enemy of England, had become our very good friend, and whatever the degree of sincerity which underlay this rapprochement, common sense had come to the surface, and instead of perpetually seeking something to quarrel about we agreed that quarrelling was not a necessary condition to national existence. Therefore the basic idea of our great naval concentration in the Mediterranean had virtually disappeared. Austria had gone out of business as a sea power altogether, and very much the same thing might be said about Russia, the remains of her Black Sea fleet having been scooped into Bizerta. Italy, freed from the conditions which had so long tied her to the Adriatic, bade fair to stretch out her naval power. But in pre-Mussolini days, when the Admiralty was contemplating the new naval orientation with a view to determining the future distribution of sea strength, there was no reason to suppose that Italy would enter upon an era of naval expansion.

Rather were the immediate portents in the other direction. She was financially stricken by the war, and with Austrian sea power a corpse there was no positive objective for her to respond to.

Gibraltar To Singapore.

And yet the Admiralty determined that the Mediterranean remained as much our chief strategic zone as in the days when it was easy to indicate very definite reasons for this conclusion. The great Singapore scheme (by no means new even then) came into prominence as a concrete proposal, and a somewhat sketchy and decidedly ambiguous description gained popular vogue of a great "strategic chain" stretching from Gibraltar to Singapore. Of course, it is true that this "chain" represents the greatest and most important of the Empire's trade routes. It could be blocked at Gibraltar by any enemy which gained even temporary command of the straits, or it could be blocked at Suez. It could be threatened on the flank by any naval force already established in the Middle East. Beyond Suez it could be threatened by any power with forces and bases in the Pacific.

Battleships could never be used to threaten trade routes. Therefore, it may be asked why do we want to employ the bulk of our battleships in guarding this strategic chain? The answer of those who seek to justify the continued existence of the capital ship will be in order to cover the protective activities of our lighter forces. In other words, the First Battle Squadron at Malta would render it comparatively safe for our cruisers to work in the Gulf of Lyons or in the Levant.

Employment Of Post War Fleet?

Let us look at it in this way. At the end of the Great War the British Navy remained the most powerful fighting force in the world. The British Mercantile Marine remained the largest commercial organisation in the world. The dependence of this country upon the sea remained—as it always must remain—wholly unchanged, which meant that our need for a paramount navy remained unchanged. In the early joy of peace most things were of vague, indefinite proportions, but the necessity to maintain a supreme navy was as clear-cut as of yore. Then came the question: what were we to do with this navy? How were we to so employ it as to get the best measure of diplomatic value out of it since there was obviously no hostile objective to which to respond? It took the Admiralty about five years to give a definite answer. During this time the Atlantic Fleet, which had replaced the old Channel and Home Fleets, remained the premier force. The came a reversal to the pre-German menace policy, and the Mediterranean regained its old naval status. Today the British Navy dominates the interior water line of Europe. But it dominates it passively, and not as an "answer" to any existing naval or political situation. In short, since we have to keep our fleet-in-being somewhere, it could not be better stationed than as at present. Personally I believe the Baltic is more likely to become "lively" in the future than the Middle Sea. But there is no need for us to step into that gallery. True, our Baltic trade is considerable, but a policy of non-interference in any disputes which may become acute in that sea is much better calculated to result in non-interference with that trade than if we should consider it a "strategic zone."

Pacific Battle Fleet.

Italy is just now pursuing a policy of imperial aspiration which may conceivably lead to disturbing the existing equilibrium in the Mediterranean. But these aspirations, so far as it is possible to gather the aim of them from the somewhat grandiose patriotism of the Fascist Press, need not ruffle the waters of peace. There is no "strategic chain." There is another and wider aspect to be considered in relation to the Mediterranean. The considerations which led to the decision to create a first-class base at Singapore must necessarily visualise the possibility of having to utilise that base. It would seem rather absurd to build a battleship base in the Pacific and keep all our battleships at home. So we are maintaining our premier fleet as near the Pacific as it is possible to station it under the present organisation of bases, and this on the grounds of simple continuity of policy, so that no national susceptibilities can be touched. Nowadays any ship in the British Navy can pass through the Suez Canal, as I can vouch from twice having been through it in a 32,000-ton battle-cruiser. In 1919 Earl Jellicoe proposed that we should establish a Pacific Battle Fleet.

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As a political gesture the decision to attach the two *Nelsons* to the Atlantic Fleet is good. It implies that there is nothing of the "mailed fist" sentiment in connection with the Mediterranean Fleet. We are simply minding our own business in the Mediterranean. It is not a local sea and is no nation's particular littoral, therefore we have quite as much right to maintain an armada in it without question as any of the countries whose frontiers are lapped by its tideless waters. And if we did not keep that armada there, where could we more usefully dispose of it?

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31.3.27.

"I am to-day in receipt of Mrs. Creasy's letter of February 23rd enclosing draft for £100 from the H.K.W.G. & M.C.L. for the above Homes.

"Last Friday we said Goodbye to 50 of our older boys who were provided with splendid outfits and are now on their way to Canada to make their homes there. We have every prospect that they will do well as so many others have done.

(Sd.) MARY QUARRIE."

"Traillgar Orphan Fund.

13.4.27.

"I am directed by the Commander in Chief, Plymouth, to acknowledge, with many thanks, the receipt of the generous donation of £100 to the Traillgar Orphan Fund, from the H.K.W.G. & M.C.L.

(Sd.) J. WILSON."

"Ministering Children's League.

13.5.27.

"At a meeting of the executive committee I reported the contribution of £200 which we received from Hong Kong in March and I am instructed to ask you to thank all those who have again sent us this generous sum towards our Orphan Homes and Central Fund.

"Lgrd Meath proposed a hearty vote of thanks be sent to the friends of the League in Hong Kong and the vote was carried by acclamation.

(Sd.) B. HAVERFIELD."

Other letters of thanks were received from Evelyn Hospital for (Continued at foot of next column).

THEATRE ROYAL CONCERT.

FULL HOUSE AND FINE
PROGRAMME.

SERVICE MUSICIANS TO THE
FORE.

Another of Mrs. Costen's popular concerts filled the Theatre Royal to overflowing on Saturday night. A number of servicemen and local ladies and gentlemen, most of whom are now well-known to their audience, presented a bright and varied programme of seventeen items.

The Cameronian pipers, usually one of the most popular features at the Y.M.C.A. concerts, were not able to appear on Saturday, but the band of the King's Own Scottish Borders, under the direction of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, gave selections that were as popular as any other items on the programme. The choir of H.M.S. Dauntless is a really good male voice choir, and its virile renderings were heartily received. The familiar figures of Drummer Steward and Drummer Brown, blacked up as nigger minstrels, complete with banjo, gave as usual a breezy little show, and Mr. W. A. Hannibal had a number of quite new stories well told and received with relish. Mr. G. W. C. Burnett also had a number of new ones.

The lady vocalists Signora Consuelo de Guzman and Mrs. Lewis Davis were both called back for encores and Mrs. H. Balcen (violin) and Mrs. Cashman (piano) were equally successful. A concertina selection by A. N. Lucy proved a rare and much appreciated novelty, and Musician A. McKenna's piccolo was as popular as ever. Another contribution that brought the house down was that of the Misses Barbara Walker, Phyllis Capell, Violet Capell, and Private Anstis. Prizes to the holders of lucky numbers were dealt out by Padre Bohn, and after a final selection by the band of the K.O.S.B., the curtain dropped on one of the most successful concerts yet held.

The accompanists were Mrs. C. P. F. James, Mrs. G. W. R. Griggs, Miss V. Jefford, Mr. George Bond.

The prizes already mentioned were given by the following:—British American Tobacco Co., 50 packets—cigarettes; Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., cricket bat; Hotel Savoy, gold wrist watch and Eastman Kodak; King Edward Hotel, gold watch chain; Lane, Crawford, Ltd., football boots; Mackintosh & Co., Ltd., man's belt; Pioneer Silk Store, shirt silk; Tabagueria Filipina, Parker's fountain pen; Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co., valet razor.

The ladies, not forgetting the accompanists, were presented with beautiful bouquets of flowers.

The programme was as follows:—The Henpecked Husband, Sgt. Watts and Pte. Hay; Si Vous L'avez Compris, Signora Consuelo de Guzman, (Violin obligato—Mr. John Bragg); Mr. W. A. Hannibal, Hannibal's Meanderings; (a) "The Balaugnered," Sullivan; (b) "In Absence," Dudley Buck; Choir of H.M.S. Dauntless, Notturno, Chopin, Mrs. H. Balcen; Songs by Mrs. Lewis Davis; (a) Spring Serenade, Gilbert; Song and dance, Dmr. Steward and Dmr. Brown; Band of the 2nd Bn. The King's Own Scottish Borders; (Piccolo Solo—"Pierrot," Green; Soloist—Musician A. McKenna); Piano Selection—Variations in A Minor, Paganini-Liszt, Mrs. Cashman; Song—"Comrades in Arms," Adam; Choir of H.M.S. Dauntless; Concertina Selection—La Serenata (Bragg), A. N. Lucy; Duet—Por Tus Ojos, Signora de Guzman and Mr. G. D'Aquino; A few moments with Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, 100 per cent. Jazz—Barbara Walker, Phyllis Capell, Violet Capell and Pte. Anstis; "Humoresque" and "The Lightning Swirl," Alfard, by the Band of the 2nd Bn. The King's Own Scottish Borders.

"CHEER O" EFFORT.

An enjoyable entertainment was also given at the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A. on Friday evening, when various local artists, assisted by Servicemen provided a capital impromptu concert.

Children, Homes for Waifs & Strays, Shattbury Homes & "Arcthusa" Training Ship, Officers' Families Fund, Ying Wa Girls' School, Hong Kong Benevolent Society, C.M.S., Victoria Home & Orphanage and Italian Convent. Mr. Lee Hysan has very generously put the Lee Gardens at the disposal of the H.K.W.G. & M.C.L. on Saturday, October 1st. It is proposed to hold a Fair there in aid of the Funds of Guild and League. Further details will be announced shortly.

SOUTH CHINA TO EUROPE.

DARING BRITONS' OVER-
LAND TRIP.

A 12,000 MILE JOURNEY.

The ambitious scheme of a party of four Britons now in Hong Kong is to prove that a motor journey is practicable from South China through Indo-China, Burma, India, Persia, Mesopotamia, Bagdad, Damascus, then into Syria and Constantinople and finally through Europe to England.

The leader of the party is Capt. D. McCallum of the East Yorks (Peking Legation Guard) who is on his way to Britain on leave. He is accompanied by his wife, who was formerly Miss Coats, one of the Coats family of Paisley cotton fame. The other members of the party are Mr. Norman G. Lovell, who was with the Roy-Chapman Andrews expedition through the Gobi desert, and Mr. F. Ramsey Williams, of Peking.

The expedition is a hazardous one and the route through Burma will be beset with many difficulties.

The four members of this adventurous party are, however, determined to overcome every difficulty and they expect to complete their journey in four or five months.

Two cars are to be used on the expedition, "Master Six" Buicks, fitted with special tanks, and with a full load capable of a cruising capacity of 1,000 miles without refilling.

The party leaves Hong Kong for Haiphong on the Tientsin on Wednesday and will commence the expedition early in the following week.

MR. BALDWIN NOT LIKELY TO RESIGN.

ILL FOUNDED RUMOURS.

CONSERVATIVES IN STRONG
POSITION.

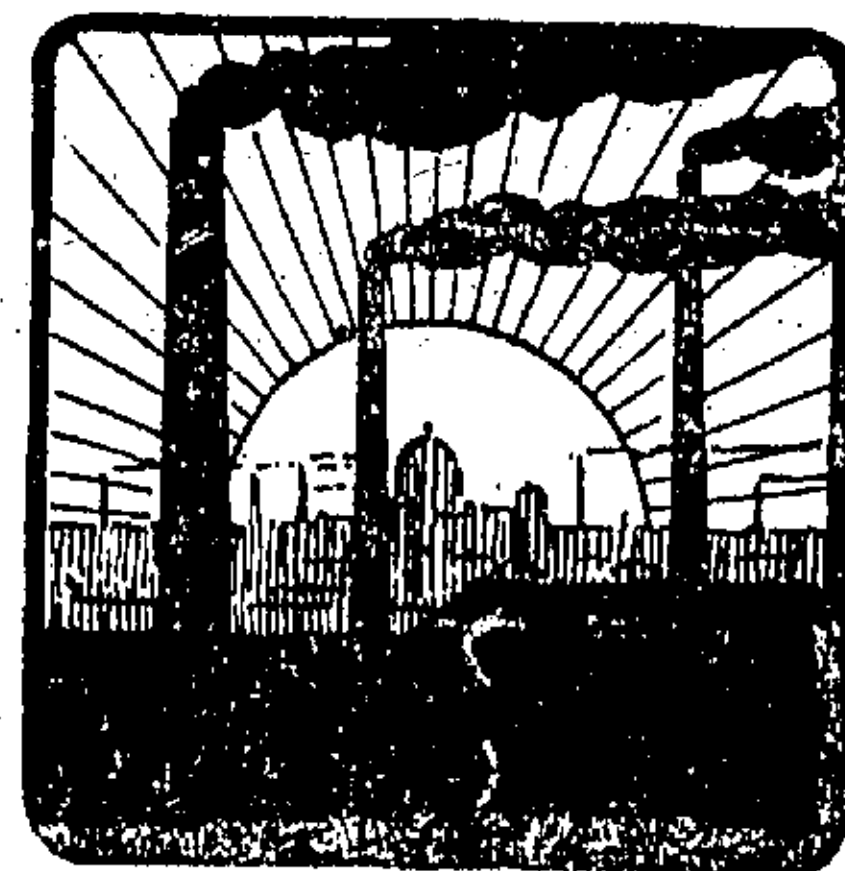
Current speculation, states a Home paper, about Mr. Baldwin's probable successor in the Conservative leadership is based ostensibly upon reports that health considerations have led him to contemplate an early retirement. As a matter of fact, this talk of resignation began in quarters unfriendly towards the Premier, and has been fostered with the all-too obvious intent of weakening his position. It is, one suspects, a mere variant of the "B.M.G." form of attack. Lord Beaverbrook can hardly be regarded nowadays as one of Mr. Baldwin's admirers. Certainly his newspapers are pretty successful in disseminating their admiration, and one notes without surprise in the Sunday Express an article discussing the procedure likely to be followed in the event of a vacancy in the Premiership, the gist of which is that if Mr. Baldwin were invited by the King to recommend a successor, he would nominate Mr. Bridgeman, whereas if his Majesty were to follow the precedents he would send for Sir Austen Chamberlain, as the Minister having the best claims. All this, even if it were not blatantly disingenuous, is running rather ahead of events. The Prime Minister's health is far better than it was at the tail end of last session, and his medical advisers, I am told, say that with ordinary care he should be able to carry on without undue risk of overstrain. There is no vacancy pending at No. 10, Downing Street, and the Conservative Party as a whole is not looking for one.

Appealing To The Country.

Nor are there better grounds for suggesting that the Government may spring a General Election on the country as soon as the Trade Unions Bill has become law. From the tactical point of view there is much to be said for an early appeal to the country. Conservative opinion, which for a time seemed to be ebbing, is now on the ascendant again, whereas that of the Socialists has not benefited by recent developments, and Liberals, despite an occasional success at by-elections, are still immersed in a sort of slough of despond. The Government, in short, might appeal to the country just now with every confidence. Its mandate, however, is still unexhausted, the programme of legislation to which it is committed remains uncompleted, and apart from some startling development which might force the Cabinet's hand, there is no particular reason why the present Parliament should not last for another eighteen months at least.

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SUZANNE LENGLEN.

EUROPEAN TOUR ABAN-
DONED.

PROFESSIONAL TENNIS NOT
FAVoured.

Although Suzanne Lenglen will play in the four matches which have been arranged for her in England this year, the contemplated European tour has been abandoned, said Mr. Baldwin, her manager, in the course of an interview.

According to Mr. Baldwin, there are three reasons for the failure of the proposed tour on the Continent. In the first place, he said, the amateurs who would have been good "drawing cards" in such a tour wanted too much money. These demands, he thinks, are the result of exaggerated reports of Mlle. Lenglen's earnings in America. Further, the European cities do not possess many courts with sufficient seating capacity to accommodate the crowd which would be necessary to make the venture profitable. Thirdly, it appears to have been found that the idea of professional lawn tennis does not appeal to the general lawn tennis public.

Berlin, Mr. Baldwin thinks, would have been anxious and willing to see Mlle. Lenglen play against some good local player. In other places, however, such as Sweden, the idea was received very coldly. "I would have been forced to sign-up a new professional in almost every city," added Mr. Baldwin.

Suzanne's future plans are apparently very indefinite, and there seems little prospect of her playing any other matches on the Continent after the conclusion of her English tour.—Central News.

MR. AND MRS. HAYLEY
MORRIS.

FORMER NOT TO PAY FOR
WIFE'S DRESSES.

"NO LONGER RESPONSIBLE."

Mr. and Mrs. Hayley Morris were sued before Judge H. M. Sturges, K.C., at the West London County Court by Mme. Marguerite Dequid, costumer, of West Kensington, who claimed £11, balance of an account for dresses supplied to Mrs. Hayley Morris. It was stated that proceedings were first instituted against Mrs. Morris, but her husband was added as co-defendant.

Mr. A. J. M. Whiteway, solicitor, partner in the firm of Philip Conway Thomas and Co., who acted for Mr. Hayley Morris, said defendants were married in December, 1925, and within a few weeks both of them were sent to prison. Mrs. Hayley Morris was released in September, but her husband was still in prison. At the end of last April divorce papers were served upon Mrs. Hayley Morris. In cross-examination, Mr. Whiteway stated that Mr. Hayley Morris' approximate annual income was perhaps £2,700. He had a farm. For three years there had been a loss of about £3,000 a year on it.

It was stated that Mrs. Hayley Morris had £5 a week to clothe and amuse herself.

Mr. Whiteway said that a notice inserted in the Press in April that Mr. Hayley Morris would no longer be responsible for his wife's debts was associated with the divorce proceedings.

Judge Sturges said there would be judgment against Mrs. Hayley Morris with costs, and judgment for Mr. Hayley Morris with costs.

**THE ANTI-JAPANESE
BOYCOTT.****TO BE CONDUCTED IN
ORDERLY MANNER.****NO HOUSE TO HOUSE
SEARCHES.****ARMOURD CARS FOR STREET
DEFENCE.**

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

It is announced that the forthcoming anti-Japanese boycott in Canton will be better handled than the anti-British boycott in 1925 and that the picket nuisance from which the Chinese themselves suffered considerable financial loss will be avoided. In the anti-Japanese boycott, according to general opinion, the merchants have voluntarily decided to order no more Japanese goods for the time being and therefore it is regarded as sufficient that the pickets of the Central Labour Union should maintain a watch around the Customs Stations. There will be no house to house search for Japanese goods and, as far as one can ascertain, no strong objection to the sale for it is recognised that the goods having entered the country and having already been paid for by Chinese only Chinese merchants would be hurt by their destruction. It is hoped by adopting such measures as these that a repetition of the corruption by pickets which was an outstanding feature of the 1925 boycott will be avoided.

During the recent second coup against the "Reds" in Canton, the Star Theatre was commandeered for use as a temporary prison. Altogether some 82 people were kept there. They have now been transferred to the Reformatory at Nam-Shek-Tao but during their stay at the theatre they managed to destroy a good deal of the furniture much to the disgust of the proprietors. "Reds" are still to be found distributing anti-Chiang Kai Shek literature and there is no doubt that the Authorities even now are uneasy regarding the possibilities of a "Red" attack. Recently a number of armoured cars with a capacity for 16 persons have been ordered for street defence purposes.

The militarists in Canton have just opened a school of aviation with Chang Wai Chiang as director. Colonel Chang had a practical training in America.

Mr. Henry A. Panhoe, Commissioner of Public Works in Canton, is drawing up a splendid scheme for improvements in the City. There are to be a number of public markets constructed on the most modern lines. An observatory will grace the hill of the Goddess of Mercy. More streets are to be widened. There is to be a library building at the foot of Koon Yum Shan hill and a stadium with an open stage near by. It is touching to see the faith some officials have both in the stability of the Administration and in their power to raise money. His many friends sincerely hope that Mr. Panhoe will remain in office long enough to get his plans put on official record. Little more is expected.

The Chinese of the more intelligent class are beginning to realise that the boycott of the large vessels of the Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company means hardship and inconvenience to the Chinese themselves. The impos-

(Continued on next Column.)

**C.N.C. DEADLOCK
CONTINUES,****"NO INFORMATION FOR THE
PRESS."****"FATSHAN" MOORS AT
STONECUTTERS'.**

The China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild held an adjourned meeting on Saturday evening, and whatever the outcome of the meeting may have been, the situation, up to yesterday, remained outwardly the same.

Mr. W. J. Stokes, the Secretary of the Hong Kong branch of the Marine Engineers' Guild, when interviewed by our representative yesterday said that he had been instructed to withhold all information relative to the strike.

The s.s. *Fatshan*, employed on the Canton run, is among the ships affected, and instead of departing on her usual trip on Friday morning, was taken to moorings off Stonecutters' Island. The river schedule will not be interrupted, all vessels employed making double runs, with two sailings each way each day.

On Saturday and yesterday, no C.N.C. vessels had cleared port, and it is understood that the sailing schedule of the Company has meanwhile been withdrawn.

The vessels in Hong Kong, now affected are the s.s. *Nzechuen*, s.s. *Tsun*, s.s. *Suigang*, s.s. *Sonchow*, s.s. *Changchow*, s.s. *Tehung*, s.s. *Anhui*, and the s.s. *Lingchow*.

Two other ships of the China Navigation Company fleet are expected to arrive during the week-end, the *Kingman* and the *Kort-chow*.

Ability of taking passage on one of these big boats without suffering insult has naturally lessened the number of these taking holidays and weekend trips. Only those who have to make the journey are willing to pack themselves like sardines on the smaller steamers in this hot weather.

During the last few days Ying-tak and the surrounding Northern Districts have seen a hard struggle between the remnants of the "Reds" and the pro-Nanking militarists from Canton. More than a thousand handits operating in the guise of "Prince" clique supporters were engaged in the guerilla warfare. Colonel Ho Chung Fan led in the "anti-Red" campaign.

**RESISTING THE "LUXURY
TAX."**

The tax on so-called luxuries, broadly construed to include almost every necessity, not excepting shoes, is arousing bitter opposition in Canton to the present administration. More than 40 representatives of leading trade guilds in the City met at the General Chamber of Commerce last Saturday afternoon and decided to make a strong appeal for its abolition. If the authorities resist this popular feeling it may lead to a province-wide agitation. The merchants contend that the tax was made law without the consent of the representatives of the people. The General Chamber of Commerce of Canton City have invited the Director of Stamp Revenue to give their members next Saturday an explanation of his policy and a reply to their appeal. If there is no agreement every Chamber of Commerce in the Province will be asked to send four delegates to Canton and sit on a special committee which will put forward all opposition to the tax that lies within their power.

**SKIPPER AND OWNER
CHARGED.****FINES OF \$2,370 IMPOSED.****SERIOUS HARBOUR
OFFENCES.**

A master and owner of a steamer who had violated the Colony's Clearance Ordinances were charged before Lieut. Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court on Saturday morning, and fines amounting to \$2,370 were imposed.

The offending vessel was the s.s. *Tai Fook Sing*, and her owner is the Hock Guan Hong. The three charges against the master, Capt. Madsen, were: (a), carrying 76 passengers from the Colony on June 30th without certificate as required by Ordinance 10 of 1899; (b), leaving the Colony without complying with all the Port Clearance rules; (c), giving false information when obtaining a Port Clearance.

The owner was indicted on the (a) and (b) charges.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ who appeared on behalf of the owner, entered a plea of "guilty," of a technical offence. He said that up to September last the steamer had a licence to carry 800 passengers, and since then the ship had been in Hong Kong waters four or five times and had never carried any passengers.

Mr. Russ also pleaded for leniency on the ground that the offences were due to a mistake. He also asked permission for the ship to clear at once as there was valuable cargo on board.

The Magistrate said that in a serious case of this nature, he could not be lenient. He accordingly fined the owner \$200 on the first count, and \$2,000 on the second count. The alternative would be six months' hard labour on each count, the sentences to run concurrently.

The master of the vessel, Capt. Madsen, also pleaded guilty to the three charges preferred against him. He was fined \$25 and \$50 in respect of the first two counts. As for the third offence, the Harbour Master said that it was a very serious matter for masters of vessels to give false information, and that the fine would be \$100, or two months' hard labour.

Permission was given for the ship to clear as soon as the fines was paid.

**NEARLY FOUR INCHES OF
RAIN ON FRIDAY.****RECORD FOR JUNE AT
BOTANICAL GARDENS.**

It is interesting to note that nearly four inches of rain fell during the 24 hours ended 10 a.m. on Saturday, according to the record taken at the Royal Observatory.

The actual figure was 3.915 inches. The following is the record of rainfall during June, 1927, taken at the Botanic Gardens:—1st, 0; 2nd, 0; 3rd, 0; 4th, .04; 5th, .01; 6th, 2.62; 7th, 1.07; 8th, 1.12; 9th, 2.40; 10, .69; 11th, .17; 12th, .15; 13th, .08; 14th, .19; 15th, .35; 16th, .03; 17th, .06; 18th, .13; 19th, .08; 20th, .40; 21st, 0; 22nd, .04; 23rd, .07; 24th, 0; 25th, 0; 26th, 0; 27th, 0; 28th, .10; 29th, .16; 30th, 3.35. Total, 13.30 inches.

The total rainfall up to Saturday since January 1st is 57.81 inches against an average of 39.09 inches.

**LAND SLIDE ON REPULSE BAY
ROAD.**

The recent rains caused on Saturday a landslide on the Repulse Bay Road, a few hundred yards from Deep Water Bay. The road has been closed since Saturday to all traffic and residents of Repulse Bay are using the lower road.

ST. PETER'S YOUNG MEN.**ACTIVITIES AT THE CLUB
DURING JUNE.****EXTRACTS FROM "THE
LEAFLET."**

The *Monthly Leaflet* issued in connection with St. Peter's Church and Young Men's Club for July gives an interesting review of activities during June, and also a calendar of forthcoming events:

On May 12th, the Warden gave an instructive talk on the Ordinances of the Church, and on June 16th he took a Service of Preparation for Holy Communion, followed by a talk on the importance of careful preparation.

The members of the Ladies' Guild have been invited to meet in Mrs. Earle's house on Thursday, July 14th at 5.30 p.m. when the Rev. H. C. Moyle will give an address on "The Church's Seasons and Festivals."

Volunteers are needed for the Choir.

Young Men's Club.

The Secretaries of the Young Men's Club hope that outdoor cinema entertainments may soon be held on the Club roof.

The month of June was too hot for debates and indoor meetings, so picnics have been organised every Saturday and these are becoming very popular. Two Socials were held, attended largely by service men, and these have met with such success as to induce the organisers to hold one every fortnight at the Club House.

On June 24th a Whist Drive at the Cathedral Hall organised by Miss Mow Fung attracted about 100 players. The thanks of the Club are due to the thoughtful friends who donated the prizes. It is proposed in future to hold a drive every month, the next one taking place at the Cathedral Hall on Friday, 15th July at 8.30 p.m.

Members are reminded that on Friday, 8th July there is to be held a Ping Pong Tournament commencing at 8.30 p.m.

Members of the Executive are requested to note that there is a meeting of the Committee on Thursday, 21st July at 8.30 p.m.

The Billiard Table has been fitted up and is opened for play. The cushions are, however, rather "hard" and the Secretaries would be glad if members who know of spare cushions for sale would communicate with them.

At an extra-ordinary Meeting held on 17th June it was unanimously decided by members that the subscription should be raised to \$3.00 a quarter. Those desirous of paying their subscriptions monthly can do so by arrangement.

The same Meeting decided to cancel the charge of 5 cents on books borrowed from the Library. The Library is now free.

Provisional Programme for July.
Launch Picnics every Saturday, 3.45 p.m. Sharp from Queen's Pier.
Launch cannot wait for late comers.

July 6th—Social for service men 8.30 p.m.

July 13th—Moonlight Picnic to Repulse Bay. Launch leaves Queen's Pier 8 p.m. (hour of departure is subject to change).

July 16th—Whist Drive at Cathedral Hall at 8.30 p.m.

July 18th—Social for service men 8.30 p.m.

July 21st—Meeting of Executive Committee.

July 25th—Ping Pong Tournament for members 8.30 p.m. (Handicap).

"THE BELOVED ROGUE."**FRANCOIS VILLON ON THE
SCREEN.****THE WEEK'S PICTURES.**

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

Patrons of the Queen's have been waiting for "The Beloved Rogue" in anticipation of seeing an outstanding film. It is a good film though not in quite the first rank. "The Beloved Rogue" is a production of the "United Artists" Company, which was formed by a number of film stars with the idea of producing their own stories, and not being bound by contract to act parts which were uncongenial. The idea is excellent, and it is easy to cite any number of cases in which real film genius has been hampered by being forced to express itself through unsuitable rôles. Take Eleanor Boardman for example who judging from her face is a young woman of character and wit, and seems doomed to play for ever the stilted part of the cold and misunderstood wife.

"The United Artists" only play their favourite rôles and that is the weakness of the company. Here for example is John Barrymore, graceful and handsome, playing Villon, the title rôle, rather in the manner of the late Beerbohm Tree absorbing all the interest of the story and swamping the rest of the cast. That is not art; it is "stardom." Now this is not to say that the rest of the cast is poor, despite the fact that none of them bear well known names. But, what should have been the central rôle, and is by far the most difficult piece of characterisation in the cast is the part of Louis XI. Any good looking and agile young actor could have played Villon; indeed good looks are not a necessity. But to play Louis, cruel craft and verging on insanity, needs far greater skill. Conrad Veit who took the rôle is, not yet at least, quite the man for anything so difficult.

To turn to the story, it is exciting and moves quickly, is excellently staged and photographed, and indeed, a picture of more than average interest. The reconstruction of old Paris is very well done and the earlier scenes in the snow are particularly beautiful. Some of the audience would prefer to be spared the scene in the torture chamber, but in justice to the film it must be allowed that this is cut as short and is as little terrifying as possible.

The heroine is played by Marceline Day, who acts prettily, if not remarkably, and wears her clothes very well. There is no weak spot in the cast, unless it be Louis XI, but there is no outstanding performance, not even Barrymore's. "The Beloved Rogue" is showing to-day and tomorrow at the Queen's and is a film to see and to enjoy, it takes one back to a period of colour and romance, when ladies were pawns in the game of state craft, and a ready tongue could lift a man from the gutter to the court. "The Beloved Rogue" is colourful and romantic and stirs the imagination as few films do.

THE WEEK'S PROGRAMMES.

Queen's.
To-day and to-morrow, "The Beloved Rogue." Thursday to Saturday, "The Road to Yesterday," an excellent title which promises an unusual film. An accident shows 925 people their former reincarnations in 1925. It is the first time such a theme has been treated on the screen and also the first independent production of Cecil B. de Mille, whose work has been watched with interest for some time.

World.
To-day, "Held by the Law," Tuesday and Wednesday, "The Wizard of Oz," the film version of the play of the same name—a fantasy with ten full grown lions in the castle Thursday to Saturday, "The Night Life of New York," the troubles of a romantic young man, Rod La. Rogue, with Dorothy Gish as a fascinating telephone girl.

Star.
To-day "The Rainbow Trail," Tom Mix as the hero of a film with Indians outlaws and thrilling horse back races. Tuesday and Wednesday, "Potash and Perlmutter in Partners Again," dealing this time in automobiles. Thursday to Saturday, "The Wizard of Oz."

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E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police,
Hong Kong, 2nd July, 1927. [5095]

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By Order of the Board,
SUN FAK MING,
Chairman.

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THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Office of the General Managers, Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 25th JULY, 1927, at 11.00 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th JULY to 1st AUGUST, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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Hong Kong, 24th June, 1927. [5072]

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Hong Kong, July 4th, 1927.

THE C.N.C. STRIKE AND A SUGGESTION.

There appears to be a certain amount of misapprehension regarding the reasons which led to the strike of the officers and engineers of the China Navigation Company. All the material correspondence between the Company and the Guilds has been published, but unfortunately the public do not follow these disputes very closely. There are some who vaguely imagine that the officers and engineers are protesting, in the only way open to them, against a ten per cent. reduction in salaries. The sympathies of this section of the public, we imagine, are against the men. It is known, that overhead expenses in almost every branch of commercial activity have been reduced during the past two years and the question is asked why the officers and engineers should expect to come through the period of depression entirely unscathed. There are others who believe that the Guilds have an agreement with the Company which provides that all matters in dispute shall be submitted to arbitration. Arbitration appears to them as a satisfactory way out of all difficulties and they want to know why both sides should not put their case before an impartial tribunal and abide by the results. This, as a matter of fact, is the argument advanced by the Guilds themselves. They scout the idea that they are protesting primarily against a reduction in

wages. When the Guilds obtained recognition, they say in effect, an agreement was drawn up providing the necessary machinery for dealing with all questions that might arise between the Company and the Guilds. It was an agreement, they state, which was viewed with the fullest satisfaction because in their opinion, it guaranteed permanent peace in the shipping of the China Coast. Now they charge the Company with failing to abide by the terms of this agreement and a strike has been called in order to enforce those terms. In short, the Guilds are fighting on a question of principle and not because of the reduction in wages.

In the circumstances it is very foolish and short-sighted to say that the public are not concerned. The laying up of fifty or more vessels must affect the public to some extent but, apart altogether from this point of view, if the Guilds are fighting for what they regard as their rights under a formal agreement with the Shipping Company, all members of those Guilds are directly or indirectly concerned in the outcome, and it must be borne in mind that members of the Guilds are not confined to the officers and engineers of the China Navigation Company. If the trouble is allowed to continue there is a grave danger that it will spread and involve others to the very great detriment of the whole community. Both the Company and the Guilds, therefore, are accepting a heavy responsibility if they fail to explore every possible avenue which might permit an escape from the present dead-lock.

The position now is that the Guilds are standing by an agreement made in 1916, which established compulsory arbitration. The Company state that, as far as compulsory arbitration is concerned, they withdrew from that agreement in December, 1917. On that date they gave formal notice that they could not hold themselves bound to submit all questions which might possibly arise to arbitration and be bound by the result. That surely is a plain, simple and straightforward legal issue which might quickly and easily be resolved by any competent judicial authority. A judge might not be able to decide upon all the questions involved in the present dispute but he could say whether an agreement, enforcing arbitration and binding upon both sides, was in existence or not. Why should not the Company and the Guilds submit their case in this form to the Courts? It would be a step forward and would clear the air.

Two Chinese cases of enteric were reported during the 48 hours ended on Friday.

The Corporate Communion for the Women's Guild will be on Thursday, July 14th, at 10.30 a.m.

A whist drive is being held under the auspices of the King's Own Scottish Borderers at Mount Austin Barracks on Thursday.

After taking an overdose of opium a Chinese woman of No. 73, Wo On Lane, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital but her condition is stated not to be serious.

A report from Messrs. Bailey's shipyard stated that 45 sheets of muntz metal were stolen from the s.s. *Aeolus* which was lying on one of the Company's slipways.

A gunner of the Royal Artillery, stationed at Belcher's Fort was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a sprained knee sustained by a fall near Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co., Ltd.

Sunday socials are being held fortnightly in the Cathedral Hall and have been well attended, and apparently much appreciated. It is hoped to have one on July 10th, and another on the 24th.

According to the old Chinese calendar, to-day is the Feast of Heavenly Gifts (*Tien-kuan-chieh*).

Owners of motor vehicles, trucks, carts, vans and drivers of motor vehicles are notified that licences for same are now due for renewal.

Whilst working at the Hong Kong and China Gas Works premises a Chinese stoker received burns to his arms and legs and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

To-day, Independence Day will be celebrated by the American community in Hong Kong. This afternoon the American community of Hong Kong will be "at home" to friends at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden from 6 to 6.30 p.m.

Among passengers leaving for Manila on the *St. Albans* during the weekend were Dr. and Mrs. R. J. McCandless, and children. Dr. McCandless has appeared much of late at local concerts for Service men, and has proved a popular entertainer.

A Chinese woman living in an unnumbered hut on the hillside at Shaikwan, reported to the Police that at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, four men, armed with daggers, entered her hut and, after binding and gagging her and her husband, stole money and jewellery to the value of \$47.

No arrest has yet been made in connection with the murder of Jomadar Gurmukh Singh, of the Indian Army Supply Transport, attached to the Hong Kong Mule Corps, who was found dead in his bed on the verandah of his room at Whitfield Camp Barracks with head wounds on Saturday, June 25th.

The Cathedral Sunday School is closed for the Summer months. The Peak Sunday School is being carried on during July, but will be closed during August. The Children's Service is held in the Cathedral on the first and third Sundays in the month, at 10 a.m., and on the fifth Sunday in the month, July 31st, there will be a Service for children in the Peak Church, at 10 a.m.

Repairs to the woodwork and flooring of the tower of the Cathedral became necessary and have now been completed. For over two years we seem to have continuously had workmen in the Cathedral, and now we begin to hope that for a time we may be free from them, and that there may be some possibility of enjoying a little quiet in our Cathedral Church, which may lead people to use it more for prayer and meditation.—*St. John's Cathedral Notes*.

The Sanitary Board wishes to draw the attention of the public and especially of those who have recently come to the Colony, to the possibility of acquiring disease, e.g., dysentery and typhoid fever by eating uncooked vegetables. Chinese market-gardeners use manure from human sources and their custom is to pour the manure or spray it from water-pots in liquid form over the growing plants. Disease producing parasites are therefore possibly present on the surface of plants, such as lettuce over which the gardener's spray falls.

St. Andrew's Church Monthly Messenger contains the following: Mr. Lindsay wrote on May 17th (nearing Aton) "Just as we were going to breakfast this morning I received a radio message telling me of my dear Father's home-call yesterday. This is a big shock to me. It seems so hard when only a fortnight from home. I have no details yet, and for these I long just now. The children were so looking forward to seeing 'Grandpa' and I know he was looking forward to seeing them, and Ruth for the first time." I know that all will sympathize keenly with Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay and their family in this sudden bereavement.

Mr. Ching Tin Koo, a graduate of the University of California, U.S.A., and now dean of the Faculty of Law of the Sun Yat Sen University and director-general of revenue in the Ministry of Finance at Canton, was a visitor to Hong Kong during the week-end, on his way to Nanking to attend a conference. Mr. Ching was first Commissioner of Public Works in the Canton Municipality upon its inauguration seven years ago. While in Hong Kong he was guest at a number of informal gatherings, including a tiffin at the South China Restaurant given by Mr. K. F. Jung, coach of the South China A.A. baseball team.

OBITUARY.

MRS. M. J. D. STEPHENS.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens, whose death we reported in Saturday's *Daily Press*, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, on Saturday evening.

The remains were later cremated, and the ashes are to be placed in the grave of deceased's husband. The Rev. W. T. Featherstone assisted by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle conducted the funeral service, which was held in the Protestant Cemetery Chapel.

Among those present were: Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Mr. D. H. Blake, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mr. A. R. F. Raven, Dr. H. Balaan, Dr. Fenton, Mrs. Featherstone, Madame Flint, Miss Armstrong, Miss Hazell, Mr. Lee Man Po and the household servants of the deceased.

There were also a number of pupils and sisters of the Italian Convent present.

Floral Tributes.

Many floral tributes were sent, including the following: From Dr. and Mrs. Balaan, Messrs. Benjamin & Potts, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wright, Messrs. J. Scott Harrison, C. L. Heavis, D. H. Blake, W. E. L. Shenton, D. McLaughlin, J. H. Seth and J. Durand, Mr. and Mrs. Mak Chin, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Man Po, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Mrs. Spittles, Mrs. G. W. Gegg, the Mother Superior and Sisters of the Italian Convent, the Catholic Mission, and the household servants of the deceased.

SUI SHEH SOCIETY.

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS SOCIAL GATHERING.

Some forty students of the Lingnan University at Canton, among whom were many ladies, held a social gathering at the Cafe Parisien last night.

The Lingnan University was formerly called the Canton Christian College. These students, who have banded themselves into a Society, are on vacation to those of the students who are spending their vacation at their homes on the mainland.

Miss Ma Yee Ying presided at the banquet and was assisted by Mr. Chang Kwok Tsing, vice-president of the Society. The private dining room of the Cafe was decorated for the occasion in the Society's Colours of yellow and black.

The students held an interesting Chinese sing-song, and one of them gave a solo on a Chinese flute.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION.

REAL AMERICAN JAZZ AT CAFE PARISIEN.

An all American day with an all American Jazz was the programme at the Cafe Parisien today as a fitting celebration of the "Glorious Fourth."

The management went to great trouble to secure the President Jefferson's Jazz Band to play tonight from 8 to 12. The menu, which was an excellent one, and served at ordinary prices, was appropriate to the occasion.

RIVER LEVELS.

KWANGTUNG CONSERVANCY BULLETIN.

West River at Shuihung: July 1st, 18ft. 2ins.; July 2nd, falling; highest level on record 41 feet; lowest on record 0in.
North River at Tsingyuen: July 1st, 8ft. 5ins.; July 2nd, falling; highest level on record 28ft. 7ins.; lowest 0in.
North River at Samshui: July 1st, 7ft. 5ins.; July 2nd, 7ft. 9ins.; highest level on record 27ft. 3ins.; lowest 5ft.
East River at Sheklung: July 1st, 4ft. 9ins.; July 2nd, 4ft. 8ins.; highest 15ft. 2ins.; lowest 3ft.

China is not apparently the only country where a Bishop is in danger of being carried off by brigands. The *Record* for May 19th quotes a report from Jerusalem that Bishop MacInnes and Mrs. MacInnes were stopped and robbed by brigands as they were motoring in Palestine. Their car was held up at a lonely spot twenty miles North of Jerusalem, and all their money and valuables were taken. The brigands had already robbed another party going north and a car full of tourists which followed later had an even more unpleasant experience. Their driver was injured and a woman of the party wounded. The report does not say if the brigands were provided with motor cars, or maintained the old methods of Bedouin robbers.—*St. Andrew's Monthly Messenger*.

LOCAL WEDDINGS.

LEWIS-LEE.

CEREMONIES AT ST. PETER'S AND CATHEDRAL.

The wedding took place at St. Peter's church, West Point, on Saturday afternoon, the Rev. N. V. Halward officiating, of Mr. Alexander Jonathan Lewis, of 39, Causeway Bay Road, and Miss Nellie Beatrice Lee, of 8, South View Building, Kowloon.

The bride was given away by Mr. C. E. Frith, and was attended by Miss L. Collico, with the Misses K. Bolt and E. Bolt acting as flower girls.

The bride's frock was of Chinese white silk, trimmed with silver and coloured beads, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses, the bridesmaid and flower girls carrying similar bouquets.

The duties of "best man" were carried out by Mr. F. A. Peterson.

Following the Church ceremony, a reception was held at St. Peter's Young Men's Club.

The honeymoon is being spent at Macao, the bride's going away costume being of coloured Chinese silk material.

GODDARD—RAZAVET.

The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday morning between Mr. G. H. Goddard, an officer in the employ of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., and on the s.s. *Tuen Sang*, and Miss G. M. Razavet, daughter of Mrs. H. E. Kemp, 1, Moreton Terrace, Causeway Bay.

The Rev. H. Copley Moyle conducted the service, and Mr. G. E. Longyear (organist of the Union Church, Kennedy Road) played "Here Comes the Bride," as Miss Razavet entered the Cathedral, and also played Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" as the bride party left the Cathedral.

The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. G. R. Razavet, and she was attended by her sister, Miss Rene Razavet, as the bride party left the Cathedral.

The duties of "best man" were carried out by Capt. Cutsforth, of the *Fortal*.

After the Cathedral ceremony, a reception was held at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Cafe, and was attended by many friends of bride and bridegroom.

The bride and bridegroom, who were the recipients of many presents, left in the afternoon for Macao, where the honeymoon is being spent.

LEE GARDEN ENTERTAINMENT CANCELLED.

A WILD GOOSE CHASE FOR SOME.

The second of the series of six promenade concerts arranged at Lee Gardens on Saturday evenings and given by the band, pipers and drummers of the 1st Cameronians was cancelled on Saturday owing to the inclemency of the weather.

The alternative arrangement in case of rain was to hold the concert in the Lee Theatre, but it transpired that this could not be carried out. Unfortunately it was too late to make any public announcement to this effect in the evening papers. Leaflets stating that the concert had been cancelled were distributed at the Peak Tram Station and elsewhere, but a large number of people were unaware that the alternative arrangement did not hold good.

When a *Daily Press* reporter arrived at Lee Gardens, not knowing the concert was off, found many European residents at the ticket box at the Gardens enquiring where the concert was to be held. He, with others, was informed that it was at the Lee Theatre, but on arriving there it was found that the Theatre was engaged for the presentation of a Chinese entertainment, and residents were then told the concert was at the Gardens. Those who had already been there gave it up, but others proceeded to the Gardens on a fruitless quest.

With the reduction of the charge of admission from \$1.50 to 81 many more people were expected than on the previous Saturday, and it was a great pity the entertainment had to be abandoned.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5 p.m., stated:—

Changes are slight since this morning.

Local Forecast.—S.E. or variable winds, fair.

The morning report stated: Pressure has increased slightly over Central Japan and S.E. China. It is nearly stationary elsewhere. The area is covered by a feeble anticyclone central over the Bonins.

FENG YU HSIANG ADVANCING
ON HANKOW.

HIS OBJECTIVE THE HANYANG ARSENAL?

TANG SENG CHI REPUDIATES "RED" GOVERNMENT.

DECLARATION OF ANKUOCHUN POLICY BY
CHANG TSO LIN.

JUNK EXPLOSION NEAR NANKING.

According to information from native sources Feng Yu Hsiang has abandoned his march on Peking and is advancing rapidly on Hankow. Tang Seng Chi, with the 4th and 11th Armies, has retreated, and the former "Red" Commander-in-Chief has telegraphed to Feng disowning the Hankow Government and proclaiming his hostility to the Reds. It is expected that the two will come to some agreement. Possibly such remnants of the "Red" forces that remain in Hankow may put up a resistance under the leadership of the Russian General Gallen.

Feng's motive for attacking Hankow is said to be his desire to seize the important Hanyang Arsenal, which would greatly add to the strength of his personal position.

News arrives of a minor, but very terrible incident, near Nanking. Two junks laden with explosives have blown up causing over 100 casualties. The mishap was probably due to carelessness on the part of the junk crews.

TWO JUNKS BLOW UP.

LADEN WITH EXPLOSIVES.

CHIANG KAI SHEK DIRECTS
RELIEF WORK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, July 3rd.

More than a hundred Chinese casualties were caused when two junks loaded with explosives along-side the Shanghai-Nanking Railway Wharf at Siakwan blew up. Many people were torn to pieces and others were hurled into the river and drowned. Scores of native boats were wrecked and three steam launches were damaged. Roofs were torn off and the windows smashed of buildings in the neighbourhood.

When the smoke cleared the Yangtze was covered with debris, while the wreckage and dismembered limbs were picked up hundreds of yards from the wharf.

General Chiang Kai Shek visited the scene of disaster and personally directed the organisation of the relief workers. The cause of the explosion is unknown. It was possibly due to the heat but more probably it was caused by carelessness on the part of the junk crews.

FENG'S OBJECTIVE.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, July 2nd.

According to a report from Peking, the Ankuochun authorities are greatly relieved at Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's sudden turn upon Hankow which will relieve the threat to Peking. An Ankuochun spokesman said that the sole purpose of Feng Yu Hsiang's campaign against Hankow, was to secure for himself Hanyang Arsenal which would be of a great deal more use to him than Peking.

TANG SENG CHI LEAVES
HANKOW.

SHANGHAI, July 3rd.

The 4th and 11th "Red" Armies under the command of General Tang Seng Chi have retreated to Hanyang as the result of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's sudden advance towards Hankow, but so far there has not been any fighting between the opposing armies.

Officials In Flight.

It is reported that a number of "Red" leaders, including Tam Ping Shan, the Minister of Agriculture and Labour at Hankow have fled to a Japanese hospital; Borodin and Tang Yan Teh are said to have taken refuge on a foreign steamer. Other important Red officials are said to have deserted their offices.

ANOTHER HANKOW ENEMY.

Co-Operating With Feng.

General Sha Tao Yan, having declared himself anti-Red and against the Hankow Government, has telegraphed to the Nanking Government to the effect that his forces are some distance east of Hankow and that he is preparing to march upon Hankow in conjunction with Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang.

According to a foreign report, Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang has arrived at Soakan to direct military operations.

The 10th Kuomintang Army have taken Yenchow. General Tang Seng Chi has telegraphed to Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang to the effect that he himself has no real connection with the Hankow Government. He mentioned his recent actions against "Red" agitators which were in full compliance with public opinion in the "Liang Hu"—Hup and Hunan.

NAVAL ARMAMENTS.

IMPORTANT BRITISH
PROPOSALS.ALLAYING AMERICAN
SUSPICIONS.HITCH OVER CRUISER
TONNAGE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, July 1st.

As an outcome of the meeting of the technical committee of the Naval Conference, the British representatives have proposed that submarines be limited to two classes, of 600 and 1,800 tons respectively, with 5-inch guns.

Desire To Eliminate Competition.

LONDON, July 1st.

It is impossible at present to state the exact effect of the proposals submitted by the three Powers participating in the Naval Conference at Geneva, as these are now being examined by the technical sub-committees, while the delegates are seeking instructions from their Governments on the principles involved.

All three Powers at the outset declared emphatically that their desire was to eliminate competition between them in naval armaments, and each submitted concrete proposals for limitation which had not been the subject of preliminary examination.

Not To Build Up To Permitted Strength.

The British delegates since the opening of the session have submitted a new proposal, to the effect that, without in form modifying the Washington Agreement about the replacement of capital ships, the three Powers should agree by a self-denying ordinance not to build up to the permitted strength of Britain and the United States, but to lay down only nine new ships between 1931 and 1936, instead of fifteen, and the Japanese programme being proportionately modified.

America On Her Guard.

This proposal Japan is apparently inclined to support; and while the United States has not committed itself definitely, the tendency of American opinion is to regard every British proposal as an attempt to whittle down the American claim to complete parity of naval strength. This seemed at one time to imperil the success of the Conference, but Mr. W. C. Bridgman's categorical disavowal of any intention to seek supremacy has undoubtedly cleared the air, and impressed the Americans in favour of the British contention that the strength of the fleets should be fixed not by the building capacity of each country, but by reasoned examination of its special needs, thus paving the way to further economies in the future.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

REDUCTION IN SIZE OF GUNS
AND SHIPS.

Japan Favours British Suggestions.

RUGBY, July 1st.

The technical committee of the Geneva Naval Conference has made such a material advance, towards agreement on questions relating to auxiliary craft, that British circles now hope the subject of capital ships will be taken up before long. The British delegations' proposals regarding this class are for a reduction of tonnage from 35,000 to 30,000, to reduce size of guns from 16-inch to 13.5 inches, and to lengthen the life of battleships from 20 to 25 years.

In support of these proposals, it is urged that if the three Powers concerned agree thus to carry a stage further the limitations prescribed in the Washington Treaty, their action would provide striking proof of sincerity in the cause of armament limitation, and would moreover lead to very substantial economy. It is, of course, intended to be adjusted so as not to affect in any way the balance in regard to the capital-ship ratio, which was agreed to in Washington. It is hoped that a clear understanding of this fact, coupled with the British delegation's frank declaration that they have no desire to question the United States claim to parity with Great Britain on any class of vessel, will facilitate discussion of this subject.

It is understood the Japanese are in principle inclined to regard with favour the British proposals on capital ships.

THE CRUISER PROBLEM.

ANOTHER HITCH.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, July 3rd.

American officials are disposed to join issue with Britain's suggestion at Geneva to fix the total cruiser tonnage at 600,000 tons instead of at 300,000 tons as proposed by the Americans, and if the former figure is insisted upon Mr. Gibson will be forced to abandon the present efforts to reach an agreement with regard to cruisers, the building of which would be in abeyance under the suggested agreement till 1931 when the five Powers signatory to the Washington Pact meet.

(Continued on next column.)

JACK DEMPSEY'S
BROTHER.SUICIDE AFTER SHOOTING
WIFE.SEQUEL TO DOMESTIC
TROUBLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

SARATOGA LAKES, N.Y. July 3rd.

John Dempsey (38), brother of Jack Dempsey, the famous pugilist, shot and killed his young wife Edna (21), and then committed suicide. Jack Dempsey, left his training camp for the scene of the tragedy and identified the bodies. He directed that his brother should be buried at their former home at Salt Lake City. His sister-in-law will be interred elsewhere.

Edna's landlady told the police that she was talking to Edna in the street when John appeared, "acting as if he had been drinking." Edna followed John indoors, and shots were heard a few minutes later. Apparently the couple had separated a year ago and the wife did not want John to know where she and their two-year-old son were living.

MEXICAN PRESIDENTIAL
ELECTION."COMBINE" AGAINST
CALLES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICO CITY, July 3rd.

Generals Arnulfo Gomez and Francisco Serrano, both Presidential nominees, have arrived at an agreement to join forces in the 1928 Presidential election in opposition to General Alvaro Obregon, ex-President and staunch friend and supporter of President Calles.

General Gomez is the nominee of the newly formed Anti-Re-Electionist Party.

WEALTH!

AMERICA'S \$611,000,000 FOR
DEBT REDUCTION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, July 2nd.

The sum of \$611,000,000 of last year's record Treasury surplus of \$636,000,000 will be applied to the reduction of the public debt, which is now \$13,512,000,000 having been reduced during the year by \$1,132,000,000.

CHICAGO'S HOTTEST.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

CHICAGO, July 2nd.

Thirty deaths are reported due to the heat wave here.

MR. JAMES WHITE'S
SUICIDE.TRUST TO DEAL WITH STOCK
EXCHANGE CRISIS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 1st.

A verdict of suicide while of unsound mind was returned at the inquest on Mr. James White, the financier whose sudden death, as reported yesterday, caused a sensation on the Stock Exchange.

Medical evidence indicated that he took prussic acid, which did not kill him, and later took a large dose of chloroform, from the effects of which he died.

The Stock Exchange has considerably steadied. Leading members have conferred and arranged to form a trust for the gradual liquidation of any large blocks of shares that may be thrown on to the market in the event of a crisis.

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Byrd almost fainted while ascending the stairs of the Deputy Mayor's house, but gave minute instructions regarding the care of his plane. An American lady who was fortunately staying at Ver acted as interpreter.

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COMMANDER BYRD
IN PARIS.PRESENTS "BETSY ROSS"
FLAG TO PRESIDENT.GREAT RECEPTION BY
POPULACE.U.S. NAVAL WORLD FLIGHT
CONTEMPLATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, July 3rd.

The Gare St. Lazare presented the liveliest appearance on the arrival of Commander Byrd and his companions from Var-sur-Mer, the public clambering on top of the newspaper kiosks, the railway carriages and even the glass roof outside the station in their anxiety to obtain a sight of the adventurers and offer them the warmest of welcomes.

The aviators were greeted by representatives of the French Government and American Embassy and also the trans-Atlantic flyer Levine.

The aviators who showed signs of their recent experiences motored in procession through the streets amid wildest enthusiasm to their hotel where they were the guests of Mr. Wamamaker, their financial backer, and under the medical supervision of an eminent New York surgeon, Dr. Bainbridge.

Full Military Honours.

Commander Byrd and his colleagues were received with full military honours at the Elysee by President Doumergue, who warmly congratulated the aviators. Commander Byrd handed the President a small silk stars and stripes bordered with pieces of the original American flag made by Betsy Ross in 1777. The flag will be placed in the National Museum.

Commander Byrd later received a number of journalists at his hotel when he stated that although he flew over forty-two hours he cannot question the existing record as the long-distance records are reckoned in a straight line.

STORY OF THE FLIGHT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WASHINGTON, July 3rd.

Mr. Wilbur, U.S. Secretary of the Navy, has recommended President Coolidge to award the Distinguished Flying Cross to Commander Byrd and to make some recognition to his companions.

Mr. Wilbur is considering the feasibility of a naval world flight following the Equator.

LOST IN THICK FOG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, July 1st.

Enveloped in a freezing and impenetrable fog, Commander Byrd sent out wireless signals which indicated his presence over various parts of North France for several hours, but apparently he was unable to pick up the ground signals giving his bearings.

Officials at Le Bourget were convinced that the aviator was overhead, and sent up sheaves of rockets, though they realised the futility of Byrd attempting to alight.

Finally, with their petrol running short, the aviators saw a light and made a risky descent and landed in the sea near Ver-sur-Mer lighthouse. The impact shattered the machine, and in a high sea and dense darkness the aviators inflated two indiarubber lifeboats and gained the shore. They declared that since leaving New York they had seen neither the sky nor the sea, being enveloped in impenetrable fog and rain.

It is now ascertained that Byrd decided to descend on sighting the lighthouse, and came down at 2.30, not 5.45, in the morning. The plane was fairly seriously damaged. Mr. Poincaré telephoned the Government's congratulations to Byrd immediately he heard of his descent, and also congratulations to the United States Government.

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SINGLES FINALS AT WIMBLEDON.

VICTORIES FOR COCHET AND MISS WILLS.

GREAT STRUGGLE BETWEEN TWO
FRENCH CHAMPIONS.

The open singles at Wimbledon for the English championships have resulted in a win for Cochet over his fellow countryman Borotra. From Reuter's short account it appears to have been a gruelling struggle between Borotra's brilliance and Cochet's cool steadiness. The former started out at a great pace, and won the first two sets, but after that Cochet steadily asserted himself, and despite a great effort at the end held his impetuous opponent and won at 7-5.

Last year Borotra beat H. O. Kinsey in the Wimbledon finals. In the women's singles Miss Wills of America seems to have had little difficulty in disposing of Senorita de Alvarez (Spain) who was runner-up last year to Mrs. L. A. Godfree. The doubles events have not yet advanced beyond the semi-final stages. In the men's doubles Tilden and Hunter meet Brugnon and Cochet.

English lovers of the game will be glad to hear that despite the huge monetary offers made to her, Miss Betty Nuthall, who at 16 is one of Wimbledon's most promising favourites, has decided not to become a professional.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MISS WILLS TRIUMPHANT.

LONDON, July 2nd.

The weather at Wimbledon was dull to-day but large crowds assembled for the finals on the Centre Court. Play began with the final of the women's singles between Miss Wills (America) and Senorita de Alvarez (Spain).

Miss Wills won in two straight sets, 6-2, 6-1.

It was a battle of styles. Miss Wills contented herself with her good-length forehand drive while Senorita de Alvarez relied on her backhand but was often netting or driving out. The Spanish champion improved in the second set and had the better of several baseline duels. She drove the rising ball skillfully and neither player risked advancing to the net.

COCHET BEATS BOROTRA.

A GREAT STRUGGLE.

In the open singles final Cochet beat Borotra, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 7-5. Borotra relied upon his unparalled volleying at the net. He was twice within a point of the set at 6-3, but driving too deeply sacrificed the ninth game. He won the next set, Borotra was making excellent backhand strokes and took the second set. There was a fine struggle in the third set until deuce was called in the eighth game. Cochet won this game for 5-3 and took the next game, for set, to love. Borotra led 4-2 but lost the fourth set. In the fifth set Borotra led by 2-2. A long series of rallies in the eighth game ended in Cochet's favour. After that Borotra fell away and Cochet, cool and confident, won easily.

MEN'S DOUBLES.

In the fourth round Raymond and Condon beat Higgs and Lester, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

In the semi-final of the men's doubles Tilden and Hunter beat Lyett and Austin, 6-0, 10-3, 6-4.

In the fourth round of the mixed doubles D. Greig and Mrs. Watson beat De Kehring and Miss Bennett, 7-5, 6-4.

Brugnon and Cochet beat Condon and Raymond, 6-1, 6-2, 7-5.

CONFLICTING REPORTS TO
AMERICA.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, July 2nd.

Most conflicting reports reached the United States before the glad news arrived confirming the safety of Lt. Comdr. Byrd and his companions.

The wives of two of the latter were sitting at the telephone wire awaiting reports when it was falsely announced that the America had landed at Paris.

Fireworks were immediately dug out, an orchestra was hurried from New York, waiters were obtained and a banquet was soon under way at which the two ladies occupied the seats of honour.

It was only when the sweets course had been served that the report was discovered to be premature.

PRESIDENT DOUMERGUE'S
CONGRATULATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, July 2nd.

President Doumergue received and congratulated Chamberlin and Levine and sent congratulations to Lt. Comdr. Byrd and his colleagues.

LINDBERGH'S VISIT TO
CANADA.OTTAWA ARRIVAL MARRED
BY TRAGEDY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SELFRIDGE FIELDS, Michigan, July 2nd.

When Lindbergh landed, he was informed that the War Department had ordered twelve aeroplanes to escort him to Ottawa where he is flying to participate in Canada's Jubilee celebrations.

Lindbergh's arrival was unfortunately marred by tragedy. Two of the escorting planes collided when about to land and Lieutenant Johnston was killed.

MIXED AND WOMEN'S
DOUBLES.

Mrs. Godfree and Miss Nuthall reached the semi-final of the Women's Doubles, beating Miss Fry and Miss Saunders, 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.

In the mixed doubles Kingsley and Miss Hill beat Austin and Miss Nuthall, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

FRIDAY'S PLAY.

LONDON, July 1st.

At Wimbledon to-day, there was a downpour in the morning, but it brightened later. The following were the principal results:

LADIES' DOUBLES.

In the semi-final Miss Heine and Mrs. Peacock beat Mrs. McIlquham and Miss Harvey, 5-7, 6-2, 6-1.

MEN'S DOUBLES.

In the fourth round of the men's doubles, Brugnon and Cochet (the holders), beat Kingsley and Gregory, 8-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, and thus reach the semi-final.

In the same round, Raymond and Condon beat Higgs and Lester, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4, and will thus meet Brugnon and Cochet in the semi-final.

MIXED DOUBLES.

In the second round of the mixed doubles, De Kehring (Hungary) and Miss Bennett (Britain) beat Tilden and Mrs. Mallory (America), 3-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Austin and Miss Nuthall (Britain) beat Borotra and Madame Bordes (France), 6-4, 9-7.

WELL DONE "BETTY"

REMAINS AN AMATEUR.

Mrs. Nuthall states that she has finally decided that Miss Betty Nuthall will remain an amateur. [It will be remembered that Miss Nuthall has been offered as much as £20,000, it was said, to become a professional. Lovers of the game will be grateful to Miss Nuthall, and equally to her mother, for turning down these offers.]

THE ALBANIA-YUGO-SLAV
INCIDENT CLOSED.

JURASCOVITCH, THE "BONE OF CONTENTION" RELEASED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TIRANA, July 3rd.

Juraskovitch, a dragoman of the Yugo-Slavian Legation, arrested in May by the Albanian police on a charge of spying has been released, and the Albania-Yugo-Slav incident is now closed.

[Yugo-Slavia protested strongly against the arrest and later the entire legation staff left. So serious was the breach between the two nations that the French, Italian and German Ministers and the British Chargé d'Affaires presented on June 23rd separate but identical notes to the Yugo-Slav Government demanding that the dispute between them and Albania should be settled and the dragoman released.]

AVIATION IN HOLLAND.

STATE FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

THE HAGUE, July 3rd.

The first chamber have unanimously passed a Bill providing for the state to subscribe half a million florins capital to the Royal Dutch Air Navigation Company and a subsidy 2,800,000 florins spread over seven years.

REGULATING NICARAGUA.

AMERICAN PRESIDENTIAL
APPOINTMENT.

RAPID CITY, South Dakota, July 3rd.

In conformity with the terms of the recent Nicaraguan peace agreement, President Coolidge has nominated Mr. Frank McCoy as Chairman of the Commission to supervise the presidential election in Nicaragua in 1928.

A BLANK DAY.

ALL SPORTS OFF.

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE TO-MORROW.

[BY "LOOKER ON."]

Saturday was a blank day as regards sport, only one thing arranged, namely, a Service sailing race, at the Yacht Club, taking place.

Sports abandoned through the heavy rain comprised all matches in the Tennis League and Lawn Bowls League; the Baseball League match between the Filipinos and the Japanese; the friendly football match (second of the series) between the Hong Kong Chinese Athletic Association and the Queen's Royal Regiment at Sookunpo, and the opening matches in connection with South China Athletic Association Summer Football League.

Another attractive event which had to go by the board was the opening night fete at the Victoria Recreation Club. This was a great disappointment to many, as some excellent competitions were promised with the Army and Navy taking part in a team race, and the 1st Cruiser Squadron playing a Water Polo match against the V.R.C. team, who are League Champions. We have been informed that the night fete is to be held to-morrow evening, beginning at nine o'clock. It has not been postponed until Saturday because the 1st Cruiser Squadron will be leaving port before that date.

It is a pity that the Lawn Tennis and Bowls League matches had to be postponed. It will mean a lot of difficulty in respect of the bowls to get the fixtures completed, in view of other competitions down for decision before the end of the season. Two complete weeks of fixtures have now been postponed until the official programme has been completed.

The tennis fixtures can be pulled up by playing mid-week matches, but there remain a number of postponed fixtures to play off.

Yesterday the Chinese football matches were played off, and there was also an enjoyable ping pong social at the Wah Yan College Old Boys' Union. The racing at Macao and the baseball match between the S.C.A.A. "Tigers" and the Baseball Club are reported elsewhere.

Of course, all bathing and launch parties were cancelled on Saturday, but several were held yesterday, including the Easma Club's, while the different bathing beaches were also crowded.

Among arrivals in Hong Kong during the week-end were Mr. F. C. Tong and Mr. Yau Kie Cheung, two well-known Chinese athletes, who have taken part in Far Eastern Olympic games on many occasions. They have come here to arrange with the Hong Kong Branch of the National Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation for the selection of South China representatives in the preliminaries at Shanghai on July 23rd and 24th. Mr. Tong and Mr. Yau visited the South China Athletic Association on Saturday afternoon and were received by Mr. Hin Wong, hon. general secretary of the Association. As these gentlemen had to depart for Canton again yesterday evening, Mr. Wong arranged for an informal meeting of local officers of athletic associations and clubs to be held yesterday afternoon at the South China Athletic Association.

CHINESE SPORTING EVENTS.

HONG KONG AND CANTON.

FRIENDLY RIVALRY AT SPORT.

PREPARATIONS FOR OLYMPIAD PRELIMINARY.

The South China Athletic Association yesterday afternoon entertained to dinner Mr. F. C. Tong and Mr. Yau Kie Cheung, well-known Chinese athletes from Canton and veteran members of the Chinese contingents to former Far East Olympic Games. Mr. Ng Sze Kwong, the newly appointed Chairman of the Hong Kong Branch of the National Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, was among those present and Mr. Hin Wong, hon. general secretary of South China, and a member of the Committee of the local Branch of the Federation, acted as host.

It was tentatively agreed that the first volley ball inter-port matches between Canton and Hong Kong for the honour of representing South China will take place in Canton on July 10th. The Canton Selection Committee from South China announced that they wish for trial games with Hong Kong at football and tennis to test whether Hong Kong really has the stronger teams at these sports, and it is not impossible that Mr. Ng Sze Kwong may have a worthy opponent from the Southern Capital. Swimming, however, will be conceded to Hong Kong without question.

Canton and Hong Kong track and field men have to be at Shanghai for a preliminary contest on July 23rd and 24th with the East China clubs. As far as basketball is concerned, Canton will probably win the right to send representatives.

The Canton-Hong Kong teams for Shanghai will depart before July 15th.

FOOTBALL.

SUMMER LEAGUE PROGRAMME OPENS.

The South China Athletic Association Summer Football League was unable to commence its programme on Saturday afternoon as scheduled owing to the rain, but four teams played yesterday (Sunday) afternoon on the Sookunpo grounds. This year the League has to all Chinese teams, a record in the history of the South China A.A.

Only lack of ground facilities has prevented South China A.A. from coming more to promote the game among the Chinese. Many Chinese clubs and large firms and Chinese students of foreign honours in the Colony are looking to the Association to borrow grounds for them from the more favoured organizations of the Colony, but there has always been difficulty in providing facilities to meet the needs of the many young men anxious to play.

The first game in the League was between the Tai Hang A and Wah Moo B, and the former won by six goals to two.

The next game was between Causeway Bay and the Kee Ping Club, the Causeway Bay Club winning by two to nil.

Mr. J. S. Shak acted as referee for the first match and Mr. Chan So, for the second.

There will be a game this (Monday) afternoon at Causeway Bay ground at 5.30, between the Luk Kwan Club and Wah Moo A team.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mr. Abraham Liu, a Cornell University man, well-known in Honolulu as a baseball player, is expected in Hong Kong to-day or to-morrow on the invitation of the South China Athletic Association.

The Association is inviting a number of athletes from Honolulu who will provide baseball, basketball, and swimming teams. Mr. Liu is acting as the "advance agent" of the Honoluluans.

The South China A.A. Volley Ball Open League was unable to carry out its Saturday's fixtures on account of the weather. The Tao Keung B and the South China teams were to have played, their first games of the season. A week ago the Tao Keung A team defeated the Chinese Catholics Young Men's Club by three to nil.

The South China A.A. Ping Pong tournaments have just closed, and the following have been adjudged champions for the year:—Open Championships, 1st, Wong Tung Hoi, and 2nd, Cheng Yun Lum; and Handicapped, 1st, Ng Tai Bing, and 2nd, Wong Tung Hoi.

The Wah Yan College Old Boys' Club had a ping pong contest yesterday afternoon. Mr. Chan Hon Sui beating Wong Tung Hoi by four to one.

BASEBALL.

BALL CLUB WALLOPS TIGERS.

COCKEY PITCHES GOOD GAME FOR AMERICANS.

NO GAME ON INDEPENDENCE DAY.

[BY HONOLULU KID.]

The inclemency of the weather stopped what should have been a thrilling ball game between the Japanese and Filipinos on Saturday. This match will be played during the week-day and the date will be announced in due course.

There will also be no game this afternoon in celebration of the "Glorious Fourth." I was informed that as the American firms are not closing to-day, and as the reception given by the American Consul is to take place at 4 p.m., it was found impossible to field all-American teams representing "Benedicks" and bachelors.

YESTERDAY'S GAME.

The H.K.B.C. was in top form yesterday and walloped the S.C. Tigers to the tune of 25-4 in a seven inning game. Cockey, the American pitching ace, twirled an excellent game. He successfully held the Tigers at bay for the first five innings. In the sixth, the Tigers made a rally and assisted by a flock of errors, were able to scramble four men home. In the seventh and last canto, Cockey blanked them out.

Had the Tigers drawn a blank in the sixth stanza, it would have been a shut-out game, and the enviable record would have been chalked in favour of the Americans—a team which had been hitherto considered the weakest in the league.

If Cockey is able to maintain the same form against the Dragons, Filipinos and Japanese, the present league table would have to be overhauled. Murray, Muccio and Bowker are the best bats. The others are also defensible. The only flaw is Lond. He lacks speed and his field work leaves room for improvement.

The Americans started off with a rush and garnered seven runs in the first frame. They drew a solitary one in the second and a blank in the third. Rousing up in the fourth, they scored another four. The zenith was reached when eight runs were gathered in the fifth canto. This was followed by another five at the end of the sixth.

Bowker's Homer.

Bowker of the American outfit made a home run by hitting out to left. It could not be considered a clean home circuit. An error on left assisted him. It was worth about a three base hit.

As a matter of fact, L. T. Wong made the home circuit in the sixth frame. He hit to right and got to second where he halted for a brief second. Thanks to various errors, he reached third and finally home.

The best cub among the Tigers' outfit is Harry Sling. He catches a good game, and in all the games I have seen him playing, he has proved himself to be the right man behind the plate. The following lined out for the contending teams:

Tigers.	H.K.B.C.
K. S. Yuen a.s.	Bowker
Henry Wong 2b.	Muccio
S. L. Lee 1b.	McArdle
K. C. Wong 3b.	Murray
Harry Sling c.	Mahon
L. T. Wong p.	Cockey
Roy Lum c.f.	Lammert
P. J. Wong 1b.	Russakoff
K. S. Yee c.f.	Greeld

Umpire:—A. N. Harnacz.

Score by innings:—

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total.
Tigers	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
H.K.B.C.	7	1	0	4	5	25	25

GOLF.

ECLECTIC COMPETITION

AT DEEP WATER BAY.

The result of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Eclectic Competition at Deep Water Bay during June was:—

A. E. Lissman, 27-23=241 wins;
J. S. MacLaren and W. A. Butterfield, 29-4=25 tie for 2nd.
Other scores:—
W. Ironside 29-21=251
J. W. Franks 29-12=271
F. J. de Rome 29-14=271
Ninety cards were taken out.

U.S. BASEBALL.

NATIONAL AND AMERICAN LEAGUES.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, July 2nd.

Last week's results in big league baseball were as follows:

National League.

Saturday (June 25th):
Philadelphia 3, New York 6.
Brooklyn 4, Boston 3.
Pittsburg 4, Chicago 6.
St. Louis 2, Cincinnati 1.
St. Louis 7, Cincinnati 10.

Sunday (June 26th):
Brooklyn 7, New York 1.
St. Louis 3, Pittsburg 9.
Cincinnati 8, Chicago 5.

Monday (June 27th):
Philadelphia 6, New York 0.
St. Louis 7, Pittsburg 5.
Cincinnati 4, Chicago 11.

Tuesday (June 28th):
Philadelphia 7, New York 3.
St. Louis 8, Pittsburg 9.
Cincinnati 8, Chicago 1.

Wednesday (June 29th):
Philadelphia 5, Brooklyn 4.
Cincinnati 1, Chicago 2.
St. Louis 10, Pittsburg 9.

Thursday (June 30th):
Boston 6, New York 1.
Boston 6, New York 11.

Friday (July 1st):
Chicago 6, St. Louis 2.
Boston 7, New York 6.
Boston 1, New York 6.
Philadelphia 7, Brooklyn 6.
Pittsburg 5, Cincinnati 1.

American League.

Saturday (June 25th):
New York 6, Philadelphia 7.
New York 2, Philadelphia 4.
Boston 3, Washington 8.
Chicago 0, Detroit 4.

Sunday (June 26th):
New York 3, Philadelphia 4.
New York 7, Philadelphia 3.
Washington 8, Boston 7.
Cleveland 2, St. Louis 0.
Cleveland 3, St. Louis 7.
Chicago 9, Detroit 7.

Monday (June 27th):
New York 6, Philadelphia 2.
Chicago 7, Cleveland 12.
Boston 8, Washington 9.
Detroit 4, St. Louis 2.

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New York 9, Philadelphia 8.
Boston 9, Washington 4.
Chicago 8, Cleveland 7.
Detroit 6, St. Louis 3.
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Wednesday (June 29th):
New York 8, Boston 2.
Washington 5, Philadelphia 3.
Detroit 9, St. Louis 3.
Chicago 5, Cleveland 0.
Chicago 6, Cleveland 8.

Thursday (June 30th):
New York 13, Boston 1.
Washington 6, Philadelphia 5.
St. Louis 1, Chicago 5.
Cleveland 5, Detroit 6.

Friday (July 1st):
New York 7, Boston 4.
Washington 2, Philadelphia 1.
St. Louis 14, Chicago 12.
Cleveland 5, Detroit 10.

CHARITY FOOTBALL.

"SUNDAY HERALD" CUP COMPETITION.

In connection with the Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition Mr. W. E. Hollands, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association, informs us that the total collections from these games amounted to \$3,939.50. The expenses amounted to \$273.05. The Council of the Association are distributing the proceeds as follows:—

Army Chaplain's Fund	\$300.00
Chinese Lepers Mission	100.00
Poor and Aged Chinese	180.50
Protestant Home	500.00
H.K. Benevolent Society	300.00
Alms Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals	600.00
Industrial Home for the Blind	350.00
Chap Shing Hospital	500.00
Widow of Footballer	200.00
Little Sisters of the Poor	300.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	200.00
Seamen's Institute	400.00
Total	\$3,939.50

Previous years:—1925, \$1,532.95; 1926, \$2,042.50, 1927, net distribution; 1926, gross distribution.

THE TENNIS LEAGUE.

ANOTHER BREAK IN PROGRAMME.

PROSPECTS FOR ULTIMATE HONOURS.

[BY HOLLYWOOD.]

On account of the state of the courts the week end Tennis League programme could not be carried out, no matches being played. Two matches were decided in the course of last week and the positions to date in the League are as follows:—

LEAGUE TABLES.

Clubs.	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese R.C.	6	6	0	6
Indian R.C.	5	4	1	4
Kowloon C.C.	6	4	2	4
University	5	2	3	2
M.B.K.	5	1	4	1
Hong Kong C.C.	5	1	4	1
U.S.R.C.	4	0	4	0

Clubs.	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese R.C.	8	8	0	8
Club de Recreo	7	7	0	7
Indian R.C.	8	7	1	7
Nippon Club	7	4	3	4
Craigengower C.C.	6	4	2	4
U.S.R.C.	6	3	3	3
South China A.A.	8	3	5	3
Hong Kong C.C.	7	2	5	2
University	7	2	5	2
Kowloon C.C.	5	1	4	1
M.B.K.	5	1	4	1
Royal Engineers	5	0	5	0

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Nippon Club	7	6	1	6
Craigengower C.C.	5	4	1	4
Club de Recreo	6	4	2	4
South China A.A.	6	3	3	3
Kowloon C.C.	6	3	3	3
Netherlands T.C.	5	2	3	2
R.A.O.C.	7	2	5	2
Hong Kong C.C.	6	2	4	2
K.B.S.F.P.A.	8	2	6	2
Taikoo R.C.	7	0	7	0

"A" DIVISION.

The first position in the "A" Division has been definitely secured by the Chinese Recreation Club who have played and won all their six matches. The Indian Recreation Club run a close second with one match lost and will probably finish second, having to meet only the United Services Recreation Club to complete their fixtures. On form they should win that engagement. The Kowloon Cricket Club are in the third position with four matches won and two lost, while the other Clubs will, in all probability, finish in the following order: University (4th), Hong Kong Cricket Club (5th), Mitsui Bussan Kaisha (6th), and United Services Recreation Club (7th).

There are only three matches to be played:—
Indian R.C. v. United Services R.C.
University v. Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
Hong Kong C.C. v. United Services R.C.

"B" DIVISION.

The Chinese Recreation Club and the Club de Recreo are equal in the "B" Division League Table, but the Chinese will probably have no difficulty in beating the Portuguese and should be the winners of the shield without being defeated. They have played eight matches already and have to play only three more, viz., against the Club de Recreo, the Nippon Club and the United Services Recreation Club. As to the runners-up position, I doubt very much whether the Club de Recreo can maintain their position. I fancy the Indians will displace them. The Indians have to meet the Club de Recreo, South China A.A., and the Royal Engineers, while the Club de Recreo have to meet the Kowloon Cricket Club, the Indian Recreation Club, South China A.A. and the Chinese R.C. The issue lies between these two Clubs, the others being far behind. The struggle for the middle positions promises to be very keen and the Nippon Club, Craigengower Cricket Club, the United Services Recreation Club, South China Athletic Association, the Hong Kong Cricket Club and the University are all in the "pool." Some close matches are expected.

"C" DIVISION.

The Chinese Recreation Club enjoy the distinction of being the only combination undefeated so far in the "C" Division. They have met most of the leading Clubs and have only the Craigengower Cricket Club, the Kowloon British School F.P.A., and the Taikoo Recreation Club to meet, all of whom I expect them to beat without difficulty. They will in all probability be champions in this division also. After the Chinese, the Nippon Club comes out best. This is their initial year and their performance has been extremely good since they lost to the Chinese in the first match. They occupy the second position at the present and I expect them to remain there. Craigengower, South China and the Club de Recreo will struggle for the third, fourth and fifth positions, while a group of five Clubs are running neck to neck for the middle positions. The Taikoo Recreation Club have yet to record a win and will probably finish at the bottom of the Table.

COUNTY CRICKET.

WASHED OUT BY RAIN.

During the week end the weather has been no better in England than it was in Hong Kong, and none of the county cricket matches were completed.

Hutchinson of Derby made 102 at Gloucester, this being the only century of the series. Mercer of Glamorgan skittled out six of his former Sussex colleagues at Hove, and C. J. Capes of Kent, and Staples of Nottingham got 7 for 20 and 6 for 69 respectively.

M.C.C. v. OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

In the match between the M.C.C. and Oxford University at Lord's very little play was possible. The M.C.C. scored 82 runs without loss of a wicket, C. H. Titchmarsh compiling 52 not out. Rain then stopped play.

CAMBRIDGE v. LEVESON-GOWER'S XI.

Drawn Match At Eastbourne.

The Cambridge University team fared better than the Dark Blues, and an innings aside was practically completed at Eastbourne, where Mr. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's XI. provided the opposition.

For Leveson-Gower's XI, D. R. Jardine scored 75, while for Cambridge Longridge hit up 55. The match was drawn, the scores being:—
Leveson-Gower's: 268 (for 9 wickets declared).
Cambridge University: 269 (for 7 wickets).

DERBYSHIRE v. GLOUCESTER.

Hutchinson, the Derbyshire professional, scored the only century of the past three days. Derbyshire were opposed to Gloucestershire at Gloucester, but although they set up a formidable total, rain prevented Gloucester from completing an innings, and points were shared.

For Derbyshire, Leeb hit up 77 and Hutchinson 102, while Mills was most successful with the ball, taking 7 wickets for 93 runs.

Scores:—

Derbyshire: 353.

Gloucester: 21 (for 2 wickets).

WASH-OUTS.

At Leyton, only a few minutes' play was possible, and Essex beating first against Lancashire, scored 30 runs for one wicket.

C. J. Capes brought about a collapse of Leicester, visiting Kent, at Tonbridge. He skittled out seven men at a cost of only 20 runs, the whole of the Leicester side being out for 70 runs. Kent scored one run for no wicket and no further play was possible.

Mercer, the Glamorgan bowler, took six Sussex wickets at a cost of 48 runs, the Sussex team being all out for 128. Glamorgan had made 37 for 1 wicket in reply when the game terminated.

The feature of the match between Somerset and Yorkshire at Bath was a valuable innings by J. C. White who scored 56 not out in a Somerset total of 145 for seven wickets. Yorkshire did not bat.

There was sufficient play at Northampton to permit Warwickshire to score 184 runs for the loss of five wickets, Bates scoring exactly 80, while Quaife contributed 60 not out. Northampton did not bat.

Hampshire scored 338 in their first innings against Nottinghamshire at Nottingham, but though Notts opened in reply they scored only ten runs without loss. For Hampshire, Kennedy scored 53, and Mead hit up 81. Staples (S.) took six Hants wickets at a cost of 69 runs.

There was not sufficient play in these six matches to enable them to count in the Championship table.

SERVICES SAILING RACE.

WON BY "TITANIA'S" GIG.

SIX SERVICE BOATS TAKE PART.

Six boats participated in the Services sailing race held under the auspices of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club on Saturday afternoon. The results were as under:—

Titania gig (Comdr. Ratsey)	5.53.1
Titania cutter (Lieut. Comdr. Drinkwater)	5.41.7
Thracian whaler (P. O. Burgen)	d.n.f.
Frobisher gig (P. O. Lee)	d.n.f.
Frobisher gig (P. O. Day)	5.24.21
Frobisher gig (P. O. Cunter)	5.31.08

After a good race the Titania's new gig, sailed by Comdr. Ratsey beat the other three gigs and came in winner.

Hermes gig was second, Frobisher gig third, and Titania cutter fourth.

The course was:—across line, west to east; Channel Rocks, port; Kowloon Dock, port; East Rock Buoy, port; finishing across line, west to east.

The Thracian and Frobisher gigs did not finish the course.

HENLEY REGATTA FINALS.

GRAND CHALLENGE CUP WON BY THAMES R.C.

CANADIAN'S BAD LUCK IN DIAMOND SCULLS.

LEADING TEN YARDS FROM HOME.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, July 2nd.

Henley regatta suffered considerably from rain on the first three days. To-day was overcast but a large gathering, including the Premier, Mr. Baldwin, assembled to see the finals.

The Grand Challenge Cup was won by the Thames R.C. who defeated the London R.C. by 2 of a length in 7m. 10secs.

The Ladies' Plate was won by First Trinity, Cambridge, who defeated Third Trinity, Cambridge, by 13 lengths in 7m. 25secs.

In the final of the Thames Cup, the Thames R.C. beat Twickenham R.C. by a quarter length. Time: 7m. 34secs.

The Wyfold Cup was won by the Thames R.C. who defeated the Vesta R.C. by two lengths in 8m. 23secs.

The Visitors Cup was won by Christ's College, Cambridge, who defeated First Trinity, Cambridge, by half a length in 8m. 16secs.

MACAO RACE CLUB.

THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING.

AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS.

[By RAPIER.]

Fine weather favoured the above Meeting and the recent rain not only had the effect of cooling the air but also of considerably improving the Course. The grass had simply sprung into existence and the sun kept it sufficiently dry to make the going easy. The *Tai Shan* brought a big party from Hong Kong and the people of Macao were present in full force to complete a picture well worth seeing. His Excellency the Governor of Macao and her Excellency honoured the Meeting with this presence.

There was no shortage of riders as the services of Messrs. Pollock, Bullock, Reidy, Stanton, Roza, Charles, and Morgan were available while several prominent Hong Kong turfites were present including Messrs. F. Sutton, R.E. Ost, M. M. Wason, Harold Seth, R. M. Hodgson, E. B. Reed. Mr. Sutton acted as Judge assisted by Mr. Seth and Mr. Ost officiated as timekeeper. The price of pari-mutual tickets was increased from \$3 to \$5 and the dividends were good.

Dr. Macgowan's Sunburst Rose won two races and finished as fresh as a daisy at the end. He was ridden by Messrs. Reidy and Charles respectively. This pony seems to appreciate being sent to Macao and one wonders what he would do if given a trip to Shanghai where he would only be called upon to compete with animals in the China pony class.

THE RACING.

The racing was quite interesting but the close finishes which have characterised previous Meetings at Macao were absent on the present occasion. The first four races were won by Hong Kong jockeys and their supporters reaped a rich financial reward.

There will be no more local racing until September and an opportunity is thus vouchsafed to gentleman riders of studying the rules of racing. The most important rule is that a lead of two lengths must be established before a pony should be crossed. Racing is sufficiently thrilling without unnecessarily adding to its perils and thus taking away its joy and possibly putting out of action some of its more active supporters.

The staff work was not too good as there was scarcely time enough to catch the *Tai Shan* after the last race. Those who waited to cash their winning tickets on this race (whose nationality I refuse to disclose) were marooned in our delightful but temporarily accommodationless sister Colony. The *Tai Shan* must have carried a record number of passengers on the return journey and their requirements for their requirements in a most praiseworthy manner. Mr. Ellams, the Acting Manager of the Steamboat Company, was luckily on hand and his trip was in the nature of a business holiday as he personally helped to smooth attendant difficulties.

The Macao Race Club have every reason to be proud of the manner in which they have so far run their Meetings. The Shanghai Race Club have followed Hong Kong's lead in giving them temporary recognition. Before this can be transformed into a permanency the Macao Club will have to have a properly constituted Board of Stewards and to generally tighten up their machinery which is at present refreshingly informal but not quite up to the required standard of established racing.

THE RESULTS.

1.—The Chekiang Plate: Five Furlongs.

For all China ponies that have arrived in Hong Kong or Macao after March 1st, 1927. Winners since May 1st, 1927, barred.

Mr. Mee Ding's Dunwell, 149 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 1
Mr. Leun Yick's Beautiful Ten, 149 lbs. (Mr. Tong) 2
Mr. Cheng Kwok On's Sutherland, 150 lbs. (Mr. Chun) 3
Nine starters.
Time: 1.16.4.
Won by four lengths.
Winner: \$27.50.
Places: 1st, \$8.10; 2nd, \$6.70; 3rd, \$7.50.

2.—The Fukien Plate: Six Furlongs.

For all China ponies.
Dr. J. C. Macgowan's Sunburst Rose, 152 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 1
Mr. Lim Kee's Shanghai Friend, 152 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 2
Mr. Huen Chung's Chow Tze Lon, 152 lbs. (Mr. Roza) 3
Six starters.
Time: 1.33.3.
Won by three quarters of a length.
Winner: \$42.40.
Places: 1st, \$20.20; 2nd, \$11.10.

3.—The Anhwei Plate: Once Round.

For all China ponies that have not won more than one race this year at the time of entry.
Mr. Leun Yick's Chick To, 149 lbs. (Mr. Pollock) 1
Mr. Leun Yick's Shan Mein (late Park Kee), 153 lbs. (Mr. Tong) 2
\$8.40.

Mr. Retsuj's Lilac, 150 lbs. (Mr. Roza) 3

Six starters.
Time: 2.05.
Won by three lengths.
Winner: \$42.60.
Places: 1st, \$13; 2nd, \$6.60.

4.—The Chihli Plate: One Mile.

For winner and placed ponies subscribed for and purchased at Shanghai through the Club during 1926.

Mr. Jue's Sun Ning, 158 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 1
Mr. Lim Kee's Tap Sing, 155 lbs. (Mr. Tong) 2
Mr. Hau Un's Little Sit Tang, 149 lbs. (Mr. Chun) 3

Five starters.
Time: 2.15.1.
Won by half a length.
Winner: \$45.10.
Places: 1st, \$20.70; 2nd, \$10.30.

5.—The Honan Plate: Seven Furlongs.

For non-winning ponies subscribed for and purchased at Shanghai through the Club during 1926; and ponies that have started in Hong Kong or Macao at least twice this year but have not been placed.

Mr. Sin Kee's Arcia Preta, 152 lbs. (Mr. Tong) 1
Messrs. Mok and Chue's Honey Moon, 155 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 2
Mr. Cheng Kwok On's Sutherland, 155 lbs. (Mr. Chun) 3

Nine starters.
Time: 1.55.2.
Won by six lengths.
Winner: \$36.60.
Places: 1st, \$9.10; 2nd, \$10.40; 3rd, \$6.90.

6.—The Hupeh Plate: Once Round.

For all China ponies. Catch weight 145 lbs.

Mr. K.H.'s Papyrus, 145 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 1
Mr. Mee Ding's Dunwell, 145 lbs. (Mr. Bullock) 2
Mr. U-On's Dragon Boat, 145 lbs. (Mr. Chun) 3

Eight starters.
Time: 2.05.3.
Won by three quarters of a length.
Winner: \$11.70.
Places: 1st, \$6; 2nd, \$8.30; 3rd, \$8.

7.—July Champions: One Mile.

For all China ponies. To be ridden by jockeys who have at least won five races in Hong Kong, Macao or China, or jockeys approved by stewards.

Mr. U-On's Leaf (late 403), 155 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 1
Mr. K.H.'s Baccarat, 152 lbs. (Mr. Tong) 2
Mr. Recreation's Wild Fellow, 161 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 3

Four starters.
Time: 2.11.1.
Won by two lengths.
Winner: \$11.40.
Places: 1st, \$6.50; 2nd, \$5.70.

8.—The Mid-Summer Stakes: Once Round.

For all China ponies entered at this meeting.

Dr. J. C. Macgowan's Sunburst Rose, 152 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 1
Mr. Chuck Suen Lo's Flash Star, 158 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 2
Mr. Leun Yick's Shan Mein (late Park Ku), 152 lbs. (Mr. Tong) 3

Six starters.
Time: 2.04.2.
Won by three lengths.
Winner: \$29.80.
Places: 1st, \$9.60; 2nd, \$10.20; 3rd, \$8.70.

9.—The Kwangtung Plate: Three Furlongs.

For non-winning ponies of this meeting or ponies that have started at 2nd Extra Race Meeting and not won.

Shanghai Friend (Mr. Wong) 1
Longwa (Mr. Chun) 2
Chow Tze Lon (Mr. Bullock) 3

Ten starters.
Time: 43.2.
Won by two lengths.
Winner: \$13.10.
Places: 1st, \$6.40; 2nd, \$11; 3rd, \$8.40.

AN OPPOSITION SUPERFLUOUS.

MUSSOLINI ON STATE DISCIPLINE.

PERFECT ARMED FORCES.

ROME.

Reviewing in the Chamber the progress of Italy under the Fascist régime, Signor Mussolini, the Prime Minister, described as stupid and cowardly the assertions made abroad that 200,000 Italians had been banished.

He said that 1,527 common criminals had been sent into confinement, and as for politicians, 1,541 had been warned, 958 had been summoned before the judicial authorities, and 698 had been banished.

The banished politicians were concentrated on two islands and were divided from those sent thither for common offences. No amnesty would be granted before 1923.

This was not a reign of terror but of strictness. It was a matter, perhaps, of social hygiene. The opposition parties in Italy were finished with. An opposition was not necessary for the functioning of a healthy political system, and was superfluous in a solid régime like the Fascist State.

Inflexible Discipline.

At the end of the fifth year of the régime their forces were compact, solid, unshakable. Discipline was inflexible. At the Government's side there was a Fascist Party that had improved its ranks. Youth in ten years would renew its ranks. The trade unions were making wonderful progress. By their side there were all the living forces of culture and of intellect, the living economic and banking forces. No other Government had a vaster or deeper foundation than the Italian Government.

"I am convinced," continued Signor Mussolini, "that although there is a ruling class in course of formation, although there is an ever more conscious national discipline, I must myself carry out the task of governing. The Italian nation is not yet born. (Loud cheering.) I have a precise duty to the revolution and to Italy. Three great tasks must be accomplished—the perfecting of all the armed forces of the State, the economic and financial battle, and Constitutional reform."

Obscure The Sun.

The duty of Italy was to perfect all her armed forces on land and sea and in the air. They must be able at a moment's notice to mobilise 5,000,000 men and to arm them. They must reinforce their Navy, and their Air Forces must be so numerous, so powerful that the surface of their wings must obscure the sun over their land. They would then be able, when between 1935 and 1940 they reached the vital moment of European history, to make their voice heard and to see their rights finally acknowledged. —*Reuter*.

WOMEN'S AGE SECRETS.

PHYSICIAN ON THE KEY TO YOUTH.

The effect of age on women's looks was discussed by Sir Thomas Oliver, Professor of Medicine, University of Durham, in his presidential address to the Institute of Hygiene, Portland-place, Marylebone, W. He said:

A man or a woman is as old as he or she feels, and not as he or she looks. It has been said that a woman who conceals her age is a benefactor to her sex, for through her determination to remain young she has set up a superior standard of health, she herself being aware of the fact that by shortening her hair and adopting modern methods of dress she has, so far as personal appearance is concerned, temporarily modified the visible marks of time.

Age is not, however, a matter of years, but of changes in the tissues, so that so long as woman does her best to keep her mind and body young, she is young.

Probably the middle period of life leaves more outward signs upon women than men. Fortunately the change is not universal, for many women are just as handsome, attractive, good-looking, and of well-proportioned figure as in the years before the middle period of life, and those much-admired qualities are carried on into old age when the women retain those attributes which charm all who are brought into contact with them.

The amount of sleep required is largely a personal and a family matter. Some people require more sleep than others, while others, again, imagine they need more sleep than is necessary.

If by the time a man or woman has reached middle age he or she has not become his or her own physician as regards food, then no lesson has been learnt from the experience of previous years. Less food, rather than more, is safer for most people when they are graduating towards the seventies.

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[A.P.B.]

WHEN BOTTOMLEY COMES OUT.

THINKS HE CAN RE-ESTABLISH HIMSELF WITH THE BRITISH PUBLIC.

[By R. C. KNIGHT, Ex-Town Clerk of Guildford (who shared prison experience in Maidstone Gaol with Horatio Bottomley).]

In 1922, when he was convicted, I often heard the expression, "That is the end of Bottomley," used by all kinds of people. The people who said that will find that they have made a mistake. Bottomley has been condemned, punished, humiliated, but he is certain he can never be ignored.

When I left him at Maidstone I carried away with me the impression of a man who has already begun his fight to re-establish himself, who believes in himself and his destiny; who refuses to haul down the Bottomley colours; a life-long optimist.

He has never stopped fighting, and he will never admit defeat. This prison episode he regards as a temporary withdrawal before superior forces. He knows he has lost this round of the fight, but that only makes him all the keener for the next.

Bottomley, after all, was once a man to whose views hundreds of thousands of people listened. Can he get back his audience? I am inclined to think it likely. Bottomley thinks it inevitable.

I said to him one day, when we were on this same topic, "Supposing they make it a condition of your licence that you are to take no more part in public affairs or do any journalistic work during your period of licence?"

"They wouldn't dare, Knight," he replied. "You see, it is my livelihood. I cannot live by any other means."

"And," he added, "if they did I would go to France and beat the drum from there."

A Hero: To Himself.

Never for one moment has Bottomley believed himself in the least degree guilty of any criminal offence, and there is no doubt that his conviction came as a staggering blow from which it took him a full twelve months to recover.

Bottomley cannot help being a hero to himself. He dramatises himself naturally. The judges appear to him as personal enemies, his sentence as a vindictive exercise of superior power.

A Prison Speech.

When Bottomley arrived at Maidstone it was the practice to allow certain prisoners to propose votes of thanks to lecturers, organisers of concerts, and other visitors. Bottomley had only been in a short time when he was asked to propose a vote of thanks to a concert party, and he did it in his usual able manner.

But he could not resist the temptation to address his fellow-convicts, and before he had got very far he had launched into a tirade against the prison authorities.

The result of it was that the Home Office issued an order that neither Bottomley nor Bevan was in future to be allowed to make public speeches of any kind while serving his sentence. Although Bevan, as far as I know, has never offended in this way, he was included in the ban, probably with a view to "Safety First."

The ten miners who were sentenced to long terms of penal servitude for train-wrecking during the general strike are undergoing their sentences at Maidstone. None of them imagines that he will serve anything like his full sentence, and one of them said to me in the course of a conversation: "We're not criminals. We're political prisoners." For this reason they expected some remission.

While I was talking to Bottomley one of these men, who was employed as a cleaner in the printer's shop, joined in and said to Bottomley: "I say, H. B., shall we

get out by Christmas?" (meaning last Christmas).

Bottomley (who never forgets he has been a public speaker and writer and always tells people what he knows they want to hear) replied: "Of course you will, old man. Your trade union is so powerful that it will force this weak Government to release you."

A Strike Comment.

Bottomley took a great interest in the progress of the general strike and used to follow the varying fortunes of the battle almost as though he were personally concerned in it. Seeing this, I said to him: "They need you outside now to settle this matter, H. B. How would you do it?"

"Well," he answered quite seriously, "I am afraid it will be a big job now it has got into this chaos, but if we had had a Business Government it would never have happened."

"Don't you think," I said, "that they ought to look up the men responsible for the strike?"

"No," he replied emphatically. "Never make a martyr of a man, Knight," a remark which vividly illustrates Bottomley's view of the world.

Cannot Sing A Note.

"Are you going to lead community singing when you get out?" was a question I put to him quite recently in a bantering way. (He can't sing a note himself).

"Oh, I think it's a splendid thing, this community singing," said he. "It keeps the crowd happy, which is an important part of government. My way of doing it is to talk to them." With a gleam of humour he added: "If I sang to them it would only make them more unhappy than they are."

His prison experiences have made him a stronger advocate than ever of the appointment of a "public defender." He has met so many men in prison who, either from lack of experience or lack of means, have been convicted on very flimsy evidence, who would probably not have been convicted had there been a department to undertake their defence as capably as the Public Prosecutor's department which helped to put them there.

Bottomley means to raise this question very strongly on his release, and his hand is now immensely strengthened in that he will be able to give actual examples from his first-hand experience of the need for this public defender whom he wishes to create.

A "Demonstration"?

On the official list Bottomley is down for release on August 9th, but I do not think he will appear to the world on that day. It is expected that the Home Office will adopt the course with regard to Bottomley that they did previously in the case of a prominent Communist, whom they drove in a closed car to a more obscure prison before they released him.

Bottomley himself expects to be released at night some days before he is due out, and thinks it probable that he will be driven in a closed car to his home. The reason is, of course, that the Home Office wish to minimise or at least spread out any sensation that may ensue on his release. It is known, for instance, that an organised demonstration outside Maidstone Gaol is in course of being arranged for August 9th, and such demonstrations are naturally disapproved of by the Home Office.

But nobody can prevent Bottomley creating the sensation he desires in his own time. All that can be done to hinder him is, so to speak, to let him loose on the world gradually.

These are a few of the interesting details to be found in the new edition of "Armorial Families—a Directory of Gentlemen of Coat Armour," of which Mr. A. C. Fox-Davies, a barrister of Lincoln's Inn, is the editor and compiler.

The man with the longest pedigree in England, in my opinion, said Mr. Fox-Davies, is Sir Gerald Corbet, of Moreton Corbet, Shropshire, whose ancestors were known to go back for six generations in Normandy before a Corbet came over with the Conqueror.

Senior Barony Dispute.

"The claim of Lord Mowbray to the senior barony is disputed by Lady de Ros, but Lord Mowbray paid homage for the barons at the King's Coronation."

"I have had over 200 applications from America with the most absurd, preposterous and awful claims to coat armour imaginable."

"No, old title has been revived, but there will be almost 25 per cent. of additions to the book from confirmation, matriculation or registration of descent."

RETURN OF WILBUR PLAYERS.

"ALIAS THE DEACON."

The Wilbur Players call last night's performance at the Star Theatre a comedy, but it is no ordinary pointless comedy. It has something of the robust melodrama of many years ago about it, yet it is modern enough. There is nothing maudlin about it, here is no harrowing "East Lynne" or crude "Murder in the Red Barn." The play is called "Alias the Deacon," and it is the opening performance of a short season here by the Company after a tour in Manila.

It is not fair to say that the Deacon carries the whole piece upon his shoulders for the cast is excellent, but he is certainly the pivot around which the plot revolves. He is a benevolent-seeming but hypocritical and sanctimonious old man—a very Pecksniff. The first act shows him with a small knot of hoboos in a freight car pulling out of Denver Eastbound, engaged in his profession—card sharpening. Here it is that the melodramatic touch is introduced.

Mr. N. Anthony Baker is a real Deacon—an American Deacon—and a fine actor. He brings tears to the eyes of ladies by his saintly talk, yet robs them of their money at cards under the cloak of priestly ignorance. Mr. Kneeland Parker plays the part of John Adams a young American at the bottom of the ladder, with vigour; and Miss Florence Printy is charming as Phyllis Halliday, for whom he sees the inside of a prison. Bull Moran a typical Bowery tough at first appears to have more brawn than brain, but after beating young Adams in a fight, he magnanimously intervenes while under the influence of drink to save him from a long sentence for theft. Mr. Earle Hodgkins interpretation of the part is perfect, for in real life he has brains as well as brawn.

The plot is not, perhaps, a new one; but the acting is such that inquiry into its exact vintage is of no importance. Melodrama there certainly is, but it is not of the crudest and there is nothing heavy or stodgy about it, for the figure of that old hypocrite the Deacon is always on the stage, delivering texts and fleeing everyone with whom he sits down to a game.

Laughs there are in plenty, and very hearty ones. The serious touch is introduced when the Deacon makes amends for his wicked career and shows that he really has a "heart of gold." The Sheriff places him under arrest, then leaves with a smile up his sleeve to go about other business; the Deacon takes the hint, and when he hears the far-away husky whistle of the incoming train he is one.

The Wilbur Players will be at the Star Theatre of the whole of this week. Another performance of "Alias the Deacon" will be given to-night.

COST OF ARMAMENTS.

£24,000,000 FOR A BATTLESHIP OF THE FUTURE!

The fact that 63 per cent. of the national revenue was being spent on future and past wars, while 6 per cent. was all that went to health and 3 per cent. to education, was mentioned at a meeting held at Exeter under the auspices of Exeter branch of the League of Nations Union.

Mr. Whelen of the Union headquarters, gave interesting details of the increasing cost of armaments. He had seen a memorandum at the Admiralty which showed that if the size of battleships further increased, in a few years time the capital expenditure involved in the laying down of a Dreadnought would be £24,000,000. He had also seen the memorandum from an admiral reducing the cost to £18,000,000. Reduced armaments meant a relief of taxation and from that standpoint alone the question was worth considering, as well as from the moral side. A tragedy of the post-war days was that the victorious nations had deemed it necessary to increase armaments. That was due to fear which, in turn, led to hate.

None of the nations wanted war, but the trouble was they were over full of fear and unrest. The whole question was mixed up with the general problems and politics, there was no need for despair. During the past few years there had been an increase in the sense of security in consequence of the machinery for arbitration, so they could be hopeful.

ROYAL AIR FORCE PAGEANT.

KING AND QUEEN EXPECTED AT HENDON.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

LONDON, July 1st.

Over 200 aeroplanes will take part in the annual display of the Royal Air Force at Hendon to-morrow, and the programme, which includes mimic air battles, aerobatics and stunt flying of every description, will last continuously for six hours.

At least 100,000 spectators are expected to attend this pageant, and, as usual, the King and Queen will be present, accompanied on this occasion by the King of Spain, the Duke of Connaught, and the Duke of York, who is himself an officer in the Air Force.

When the King arrives, all the machines, ranging from fast single-seater fighters and tailless aircraft to huge bombing and troop-carrying craft, will fly past the Royal enclosure and will give the salute.

BEACONS FROM ATLANTIC TO PACIFIC.

CANADA CELEBRATES HER JUBILEE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUBRY, July 1st.

A path of beacon fires from the Atlantic to the Pacific marked to-day's celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Canada's confederation.

The people of Canada, to whom special messages were sent by the King, the Governor-General, and the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, are celebrating the jubilee by a three days' festival.

In London, a special service was held at Westminster Abbey, attended by the Prime Minister and many of his Cabinet, by members of the Diplomatic Corps, and overseas representatives.

Four past Governor-Generals of Canada, the Duke of Connaught, the Marquess of Aberdeen, the Duke of Devonshire, and Viscount Byng, were among the congregation.

THE DOG IN THE HOME.

NO DANGER WITH PROPER CARE.

SIR W. ARBUTHNOT LANE'S OPINION.

There are few subjects on which more divergent opinions are held than on the question as to whether it is unwise, from the health point of view, to keep dogs in the house, writes Sir W. Arbuthnot Lane, Bart., in the *Daily Mail*.

As in most controversial subjects, so much depends on the care and attention that are given to the health and habits of the dogs. Indeed, the problem is identical with that of the human being. If the owners of the dogs lead normal healthy lives and attend to their own functions with regularity, they are certain to devote the same care and attention to their dogs.

If they feed the dog properly and afford it the advantage of a run after its meal it will continue to be healthy, and a healthy dog is a joy which nothing else can equal.

If, on the contrary, the dog is improperly fed, and is not encouraged to form regular habits, it suffers often very severe pain and discomfort. Its intestine becomes infected with worms, and, just as in the case of the human, its health degenerates.

When this degenerative process of the tissues has continued for a sufficiently long time it becomes a very suitable nidus for the growth of the cancer germ, and the pet dog, like the savage when associated intimately with civilisation, pays the same dire penalty.

Risks Of Infection. It develops many of the other diseases of civilisation, one of which becomes very conspicuous and particularly distressing to the dog, I mean pyorrhea. It causes the dog great discomfort, since it can no longer eat or gnaw hard substances, and the teeth soon become displaced and later drop out. It is generally assumed that the owner of the dog is very liable to become infected by kissing or otherwise fondling the animal. At the same time it is quite as likely that the dog runs at least as great a risk of infection from its owner in the same circumstances.

With proper care and attention the risk run by keeping suitable pet dogs indoors is practically nil, while the pleasure afforded by their companionship is one of the greatest boons which humanity possesses. The unselfish affection and devotion of the dog cannot be equalled by man or woman. To children the dog is even more a companion, sharing their joys and pleasures.

BRITISH FILM CENSORSHIP. A MODEL.

OUR CLEAN CINEMAS.

MR. T. P. O'CONNOR'S CRUSHING REPLY TO PEER CRITICS.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., President of the Board of Film Censors, is not perturbed by the attack on "the pictures" made in the House of Lords.

Lord Damesford described as Gilbertian the censorship of films by people paid by the film producers, and declared it was a matter of notoriety that objectionable films were exhibited.

"I am not in the least surprised that we are attacked," Mr. O'Connor said to an *Evening Standard* representative. "The marvel is that we are not attacked more, because there are so many curious people about."

"A sour old maid will go to the cinema and will see cabaret dancers pictured in the usual costume, and she will say all sorts of sharp things. Clothes just as scanty are being worn in the West End every night, but she does not see them."

Old Maid Critic.

"That the diatribes directed against us were unfair is shown by the confidence which the licensing authorities have in us, the many appeals to us by the censorship boards of other countries, and the way in which we have been able to satisfy successive Home Secretaries."

"The members of the board are highly responsible and intelligent people."

"We do reject a good many films, but I am happy to say that the standard of those submitted to us is so much higher than it used to be that we do not reject so many as formerly. Some of the films which were referred to by Lord Damesford as having been prevented from being shown in 1925 were rejected for these reasons:

"A subject in which the principal theme was crime with no redeeming interest."

"Crime in which the sympathy of the audience was enlisted for the criminal."

Films That Are Banned.

"We have nearly 50 different reasons for taking exception to films. We do not allow any which show the materialisation of the conventional figure of Christ, those which would offend the susceptibilities of religious bodies and bring discredit on British uniforms, Bolshevik propaganda, scenes of orgy and dissolute revelry, bedroom and bathroom scenes of an equivocal character, and other circumstances too numerous to be detailed."

"The suggestion made that we are paid merely by the fees of those whose films were accepted is not accurate."

"If that suggestion means that it is thought that we take bribes in order to pass films, it is not worth answering."

"The relations between myself and the trade are such that I am virtually a dictator, and they dare not put on a film which I have rejected."

Lord Damesford is by no means satisfied with the result of the debate, which ended in expressions of Government confidence in the film censorship.

"The procedure which should be adopted, in my opinion," said Lord Damesford, "is that which maintains in practically all our Dominions, where there is a censorship by persons appointed by the State."

WORLD WHEAT CONSUMPTION GREATER.

HEAVY CANADIAN SHIPMENTS.

Record grain shipments have left Head-of-the-Lakes ports since the official opening of navigation on April 15th, according to a report issued by Mr. E. A. Ursell, statistician to the Board of Grain Commissioners.

Shipments to April 30th totalled more than 40,000,000 bushels, and heavy export shipments from seaboard ports to Europe are forecast in the report. Mr. Ursell says:

"From reports received from different sources, the export movement from Atlantic seaboard ports to Europe will be very heavy throughout May and at least the early part of June. A very large volume of tonnage has been chartered already, aggregating close to 40,000,000 bushels of all grains. These heavy purchases are undoubtedly occasioned by a more or less urgent need of grain."

Although statistics of the world's wheat show an ample surplus of supplies in exporting countries over indicated requirements by importers, the shortage of the rye and potato crops of 1926 are partially responsible for a larger wheat consumption.

It is apparent, Mr. Ursell points out, that a large portion of export grain will be shipped via United States Atlantic seaboard ports, a heavy volume of tonnage having been chartered, much of it at rates around twelve cents per 100lb., to some British ports and Antwerp-Rotterdam.

BABY ABANDONED BY CLERGYMAN.

EFFORT TO SHIELD WIFE ENDS IN DOCK.

"DANCING CRAZE" SEQUEL.

There was a pathetic sequel at the Guildhall Police Court to a clergyman's effort to shield his wife, when the Rev. Inglis Runcorn, Montebath, of Park-avenue, Bedford, and his sister, Mrs. Agnes Macdonald Higgins, of the same address, were bound over on a charge of abandoning a five-months-old male child, in such a way as to endanger its health.

They both pleaded guilty, and Mr. Montebath admitted he had made an "awful blunder." Alderman Jacobs said he was pleased to think there was little criminal intent in their act.

Detective Inspector Frank Cairns explained that on April 13th a railway porter at Liverpool Street Station found a perambulator containing the child. He took it to Bishopsgate Police Station. Under a pillow was an envelope enclosing 30s. and a note, "Please take John Francis Phipps to Dr. Barnardo's Home. I will forward money for support every week."

Shortly afterwards a telephone message and telegram were received by the station-master at Liverpool Street Station, requesting that the child be taken to Barnardo's Home. The next day a letter was received at the home enclosing £2 for the upkeep of the child.

Traced By Photographs. In the meantime photographs of the child appeared in several newspapers. A communication was received from the Superintendent of Police at Chipping Sodbury, Gloucestershire, that a Mrs. Pennell of that village had taken the child, which she had had to adopt, to Paddington Station, and had handed it over to a man, and that she had received instructions from Mrs. Montebath, of Bristol, and that Mr. Montebath had arranged for the child's welfare.

The Bedford police were communicated with, and on April 19th Mr. Montebath called at Bishopsgate Police Station and made a statement.

"He said he was a minister of the Church of England," said the detective. "His wife had left him. He received information that she had given birth to a boy. He went to Bristol and she said an Egyptian student was the father of the child. Since then he had sent her 35s. a week so that she should not have to work. The child was put out to Mrs. Pennell, but he feared the history of the child might leak out there, and thought it might bring disgrace on him as a minister of the Church, and took this step."

"He did not take divorce proceedings against his wife because he thought she would repent. He described how his wife at Bristol had instructed Mrs. Pennell to bring the child to London, how he and his sister met her, bought a perambulator, in which they took the child to Liverpool Street."

Inspector Cairns said he believed Mr. Montebath's statement was true. He had given up a curacy now, owing to creed difference, and he was doing mission work.

"Terrible Blow." Mr. Montebath expressed regret for the trouble he had caused, but he accepted full responsibility. His motive through all this had been to avoid being disgraced by the knowledge of his wife's conduct becoming known. He felt it would bring dishonour on the Church. He wanted to save the stigma and not expose his wife. There had been alternatives, but they all seemed hopeless. What ever he did had to be done as a Christian minister, and he decided the child must go to a Christian home, such as Dr. Barnardo's. It had all been a terrible blow to him.

"My wife left me because she wanted to go back into the world," he said. "She got the dancing craze. I could not as a minister encourage that, and she turned against me and left me; and now it appears I have made a most awful blunder."

Alderman Jacobs said the two had brought themselves within the criminal law, but there was little criminal intent. He bound them both over in the sum of £50 to come up for judgment if called upon within six months.

IRISH BULLS: YOUNG AND OLD.

"Our cup of misery has been overflowing for years, and will shortly be full."

"We find the man who stole the horses not guilty." (Irish jury.)

"I always have the beds made before anyone is up." (Irish maid.)

"At peace with all the world and on good terms with everyone else." (Mr. Gladstone.)

"Coming Thursday or Friday, whichever is the finest." (Telegram from an Irish lady who was a bad sailor.)

Dr. J. P. Mahaffy, the famous Provost of Trinity College, Dublin, described Ireland in true Irish style as "A country where the impossible always happens and the inevitable never takes place."

TAXES ON ALL BETTING.

DEAN WELLDON'S VIEWS.

WHY STATE WOULD BE JUSTIFIED.

The Dean of Durham, the Rt. Rev. J. E. Welldon, replying to the question, "Should ready-money betting be legalised?" said:

My opinion is that betting is almost exactly parallel to drinking. It is not a wrong practice in itself, but it is capable of great abuse. The legitimate object of the State is to make profits out of luxuries, all the more if, by taxing them at all, it can prevent them, or help to prevent them, from becoming abuses. Nothing could be more futile than a strike of bookmakers against the present taxation of bookmakers, for that strike is just what the enemies of all betting would naturally desire to effect. But the taxation of betting has not yet gone the whole way, and the result of it, in some degree, has been that while restricting betting of a certain kind there has been an increase of betting of another and less desirable kind.

Ready-Money Betting. I hold, therefore, that as betting is a notorious practice it is sure to go on whether the State taxes it or not, and the State is justified in taxing all betting.

If, therefore, the legalisation of ready-money betting could be so organised as to keep such betting within reasonable limits, not allowing betting agents to offer undue facilities for it, I should not feel able to oppose such legalisation.

I do not say I desire it, as, indeed, I do not desire any taxation of betting, for I should be glad if betting itself could come to an end, but if it is permissible, as I think it is, to tax betting at all, then discrimination between one kind and another cannot well be legally justified, and my hope is that the State, having once formally recognised the prevalence of betting, will take measures to purify it from most or some of the moral evils which have in the past attached to it. The Jockey Club has done much to clear the Turf of dishonest speculators and the State might do far more.

LIFEBOATS AND PEACE.

WHAT YOUNG ENGLAND THINKS ABOUT IT.

"Some people say that the Tsar of Germany was the devil let loose, but he was glad when he heard what the Lifeboat Institution was doing."

So declared one young literary aspirant from the elementary schools in the annual essay competition organised by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution.

The subject this year was "How does the Lifeboat Service help the cause of peace between nations?" and another competitor illustrated it as follows:

Perhaps a Belgian ship is wrecked, and the crew are saved by going back to their country and tell their King about the bravery and kindness of the British people. The King is very pleased with this, and sends a letter to our King, thanking him for the kindness of his people and telling him that he will do more trade with Britain in future, and also that he will not be willing to go to war with him at any time.

The Personal Touch. An Irish essayist introduced Royalty in a more personal way:—

If the King of England was in rebellion against the King of Spain, and he was out rowing one day and his boat began to sink, and a Spanish life-boat saved him, he would, of course, draw peace between the two nations.

Yet another imagined a delightful hospitality awaiting all who go abroad:—

If a French boat were saved, and one of the gentlemen went home and told his people what had happened, how do you think his children, when they were grown up, would feel? Why, they would be inclined to give each Briton whom they met a treat in their own home.

The belief that "the lifeboatmen have to keep the people who were drowned till they are well again" was not expressed by an Irish competitor.

BEER AT LAST!

ASSUAGING TORONTO'S TEN YEAR THIRST.

Toronto, June 1st. Mobs blocked the Government liquor stores, which opened to-day for sales to the public after 10 years' prohibition.

At one store the windows were smashed by the crush, and extra police were necessary to restore order.

The rush was unexpected in view of the smallness of the advance sale of purchasing permits and the efforts of the Government to have the restoration of liquor sales inaugurated with dignity.

The congestion was due to delays occasioned by the permit system and the fact that only 8 of the projected 15 stores opened to-day.

OLDEST FAMILY TREE IN BRITAIN.

"ABSURD" AMERICAN CLAIMS TO COAT ARMOUR.

PRE-CONQUEST LINE.

In England to-day there are 20 families who have direct descent from Saxon ancestry of pre-Conquest times, and 35 families whose ancestors came over with William the Conqueror.

Among the Saxon families are those of Lord Ashburnham, Sir Humphrey de Trafford (who goes back to A.D. 800), the Earl of Scarborough, Lord Rededesdale, Lord Mowbray (the premier Baron of England, whose ancestor, William, affixed his Seal to the Magna Charta), Viscount Wolsley, the Duke of Leicester, the Marquess of Lansdowne, and Lord Gerard.

These are a few of the interesting details to be found in the new edition of "Armorial Families—a Directory of Gentlemen of Coat Armour," of which Mr. A. C. Fox-Davies, a barrister of Lincoln's Inn, is the editor and compiler.

The man with the longest pedigree in England, in my opinion, said Mr. Fox-Davies, is Sir Gerald Corbet, of Moreton Corbet, Shropshire, whose ancestors were known to go back for six generations in Normandy before a Corbet came over with the Conqueror.

Senior Barony Dispute.

"The claim of Lord Mowbray to the senior barony is disputed by Lady de Ros, but Lord Mowbray paid homage for the barons at the King's Coronation."

"I have had over 200 applications from America with the most absurd, preposterous and awful claims to coat armour imaginable."

"No, old title has been revived, but there will be almost 25 per cent. of additions to the book from confirmation, matric

KOKUSAI S.S. CO.

HOPELESS CONDITION OF AFFAIRS.

VALUE OF THE FLEET.

According to the *Osaka Jiji*, a thoroughgoing re-adjustment is necessary in the affairs of the Kokusai Steamship Company, says the *Japan Chronicle*. An overhauling of the company was made three years ago but the work was not thorough. Depression in the sea trade has inflicted the heavy loss on the business of 13 1/2 million yen, under which it is staggering. The weak point is the loans, amounting to almost as much as the capital, 75 million yen, namely, 11 million in debentures, 20,000,000 in special loans, 21,000,000 from banks, 2,742,000 in interest, or almost twice as much as the 13 million profits obtainable by operating the fleet of 60 vessels.

In the assets the fleet of 60 vessels, with a total weight of about 450,000 tons, appear valued at ¥141,000,000, or ¥350 per ton, a value that obtains nowhere in the world. With a few exceptions, these vessels are so old that the most liberal estimate is ¥80 per ton, one expert putting them as low as ¥20, or a difference of ¥230, on which the property is calculated in the balance sheet. The only way for the business to live is reported to be to write off the capital entirely, pay off half the debts and convert the other half into preferential shares. This is considered to be impracticable and all that the company can do, when the Kawasaki Dockyard, with which it is affiliated, and the Fifteenth Bank tide over their difficulties, will be to keep things going by substantially reducing expenses and wait till conditions improve in the sea-trade.

RUSSIANS AND BRITISH SHIPS.

RUSH TO GET ORDERS.

If there is any idea that the City, however it approves the Government's action in turning out the Russian Trade Delegation has outlasted the Russians since their expulsion was ordered, it is entirely erroneous. A wild scramble is in progress to get their business in London, and to persuade them that it would be absurd to suppose that the London markets can be ignored. It is their chartering business for which there is most competition—the Russians have become the largest charterers of ships in the world—but apparently for the moment the Russians are not anxious to make definite arrangements. The whole of their chartering staff, which was not housed at Soviet House, but had a building of its own, is off to Hamburg, where the business in future will be done. The severance of diplomatic relations, at any rate temporarily, may hit British ship-owners, who will be afraid to send their ships to Russian ports. Germany will benefit.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. *Morra*, from Hong Kong, arrived at London at 4 a.m. on June 30th.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* left Yokohama on July 1st (Friday) afternoon, and is due at Vancouver on July 10th.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai on June 30th, and is due to arrive here on July 18th.

The B.I. s.s. *Talun* will leave for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta on Wednesday, July 6th, at about 1 p.m.

The E. & A. s.s. *Arara* will leave for Moji, Kobe and Yokohama at daylight to-morrow, Tuesday, the 5th inst.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR JULY, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
July 4th	5.43 a.m.	7.11 p.m.
5th	5.43	7.11
6th	5.43	7.11
7th	5.44	7.11
8th	5.44	7.11
9th	5.44	7.11
10th	5.45	7.11
11th	5.45	7.11
12th	5.46	7.11
13th	5.46	7.11
14th	5.47	7.11
15th	5.47	7.10
16th	5.48	7.10
17th	5.49	7.10
18th	5.49	7.10
19th	5.49	7.10
20th	5.50	7.09
21st	5.50	7.09
22nd	5.51	7.09
23rd	5.51	7.08
24th	5.51	7.08
25th	5.51	7.07
26th	5.52	7.07
27th	5.52	7.06
28th	5.52	7.06
29th	5.53	7.06
30th	5.53	7.05
31st	5.54	7.05

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *Arara*, on July 3rd:—Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hall, Mr. C. L. Coy, Mrs. M. Q. Mountfort, Mr. O. Tanaka, Mr. T. Narandas.

European passengers per s.s. *Fushimi Maru*, from Japan via Shanghai, on July 1st:—Mr. C. Floeck, Mr. J. C. Tang, Mr. W. W. Cole, Mr. L. W. Mahy, Mr. F. W. Robinson, Mr. L. Rondon, Mr. M. Hennessey, Miss L. Rondon, Mr. C. H. Westbrook, Mrs. L. E. Westbrook, Mr. U. Richter, Mrs. E. Z. Figueiro, Master Figueiro, Mrs. S. Marcal, Mr. C. G. Nya, Mr. J. Wilson, Mr. G. Pratt, Mr. E. H. Shilbith, Mr. F. P. Hall, Mr. L. Lilliam, Mr. R. Enderlein, Mrs. R. Enderlein, Miss E. Enderlein, Miss H. Enderlein, Master P. Enderlein, Miss F. Buss, Mr. E. H. Summers, Mrs. L. A. Summers, Miss F. Darrow, L. V. E. Glaesner, Mr. V. Hoff, Mr. A. Cornelissen, Mrs. Y. Cornelissen, Miss Y. Cornelissen, Mrs. J. Murray, Mr. R. F. Hall, Mrs. H. Chuan Lay, and Mr. H. A. Sweet.

Per s.s. *President Jefferson*, on July 3rd:—For Hong Kong: Mr. Pablo S. Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Baker, Miss M. M. Bustillos, Mr. Edgar Cartwright, Mr. George Cavillier, Rev. Bernard F. Doucette, Rev. Wm. J. Dow, Mr. Michael Dupre, Mr. Thomas M. Desha, Rev. Eugene A. Gisel, Miss Eleanor R. Grasso, Rev. Joseph H. Guthrie, Mr. Earle Hodgins, Miss Alice Jeffer, Mr. Alfred Jenkins, Mr. Lim Sian Goan, Miss Vera Mercerau, Rev. John J. McElaney, Rev. John C. Mullen, Mr. G. Monserrat, Mr. Severino Mendoza, Rev. Vincent P. O'Brien, Mr. Jose Ongsongo, Mr. E. K. Parker, Miss Florence Printy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Rousseau, Rev. John F. X. Sweeney, Mr. S. Samawura, Rev. Francis T. Toolin, Mr. J. Trinidad, Mr. Mirza Hussein Tonty, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Willard, Rev. Edward T. Whelan, Mr. Wong Sik Ching, and Mr. Wong Kuan Shan. For Shanghai: Mrs. E. T. Boyes, Master Robin Boyes, Mrs. G. M. Boyes, Miss Sylvia Boyes, Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. John B. Farrier, Miss Mary Farrier, Miss Jane Farrier, Mr. Bedford H. Lydon, Mr. H. C. Lamond, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reich. For Kobe: Maj. John B. Anderson, Mrs. Sue P. Anderson, Miss Sue M. Anderson, Mr. Francisco Benitez, Mrs. John Conover, Mr. and Mrs. Tahir Fujii, Lt. Col. Leona Conover Smith, Lt. Col. H. C. Smith, Master Hule A. Smith, Capt. Boyd L. Smith, Mrs. Jean B. Smith, Miss Virginia Lee Smith, and Miss Cora Smith. For Yokohama: Mr. Louis Carl Hutt, Mr. George Pearson Paton, and Mrs. Katherine A. Paton. For Honolulu: Miss Primitiva De Leoncio, Master Frederick Fahlgren, Miss Ann L. Garrecht, Miss Pastora Mateo, Miss Rosa Mateo, Miss Marie F. Mugler, Miss Hettie Neal Magness, and Miss Margaret Smith. For San Francisco: Miss Caridad B. Banez, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Fossum, Mrs. Albine Fairfield, Miss Jehett Fairfield, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Glum, Miss Elizabeth O'Brien, Mr. Luis Perez Olaguer, and Miss Concepcion Profetana.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. *St. Albans*, for ports and Australia, on July 1st:—Mr. P. Dominic, Mr. and Mrs. Howden Hume, Mr. W. A. Duce, Mr. J. F. Milburne, Mr. E. A. Malcolm, Mr. S. E. Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Augustin A. Que, Lieut. and Mrs. W. H. Schaffer and infant, D. M. Dalgamont, Mr. F. W. Gibbins, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Aber, Miss P. H. Ludbrook, Mrs. G. C. Clark, Mr. W. T. Cox, Mrs. Annie Kynoch, Dr. and Mrs. R. J. McCandless and two infants, Master R. McCandless, Mrs. A. H. Van Etten, Miss D. Abraham, Miss E. Howell, Miss E. Smith, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood, Miss Lockwood, Master Lockwood, Miss M. J. McMinn, Miss A. Sandlin, Mr. M. F. Farley, Mr. N. Beeman, Master H. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. A. Trudinger, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. M. Lowther and infant, Dr. R. J. Loudin, Mr. J. Noble, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. J. Boland, Miss E. Boland, Mr. M. E. Fleming, Mrs. S. Solodukhin, and Mr. Z. Solodukhin.

European passengers per s.s. *Fushimi Maru*, for Europe via ports, on July 2nd:—Mrs. Jane Murray, Mr. A. Gandosui, Mr. J. M. Morrison, Mr. S. Masui, Mr. R. F. Hall, Mrs. E. A. Summers, Miss Cornelissen, Mr. Vondor Hoff, Mr. Sweet, Mr. U. Richter, Mr. Hall, Mr. L. Silaravi, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelissen, Miss Florence Buss, Miss Flora Barrow, Mr. Lars Bjorno, Mr. T. Hashida, Mr. T. Katsumata, Mr. and Mrs. P. Enderlein, Miss E. Enderlein, Miss H. Enderlein, Master P. Enderlein, Mr. T. Nague, Mr. N. V. Thev, and Mr. F. V. G. Glaesner.

WORKMEN ON BOARDS OF DIRECTORS.

LOOKED UPON WITH SUSPICION BY LABOUR.

FOREMEN'S IRON RULE.

At a conference of the Industrial Welfare Society in London, Mr. E. J. Fox, managing director of the Stanton Iron Works Company, said that the experience he had gained in operating seven works committees in the Midlands during the last nine years convinced him of the success of the committees. Whitley Councils, were not, in his opinion, the success it had been hoped they would prove.

Sections of the labour movement aimed at representation on boards of directors, but he was convinced that that would not prove of any real benefit to labour. If workmen are co-opted to directorates they lose touch with labour in a few days and are automatically looked upon with suspicion by labour, with the result that they are of little assistance in dealing with labour problems.

"Foremen," added Mr. Fox, "are the greatest obstacle to the introduction of the better spirit in industry. They oppose you at every step. They do not like you to be in touch with the rank and file. They say you are too sympathetic and that you are spoon-feeding. They rule labour with a rod of iron, instead of with reason and sympathy."

Labour had little to gain from co-partnership, so small was the proportion of profits available. The only practical form of profit-sharing was some form of payment by results, such as bonus or piecework.

Sir Horace Wilson, of the Ministry of Labour, who was the guest of the Society at luncheon, said sufficient attention was not paid to the forces that were making for good in industry in this country. What was wanted was publicity for the successful schemes. The industries should arrange to co-ordinate on welfare work. The basis of good relations was effective joint workshop machinery.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Adriatic (Blue Funnel), due July 18th.

Amazona (M.M.), due July 19th.

Antenor (Blue Funnel), due July 21st.

Albus II. (M.M.), due August 30th.

Benetecia (Ben. Line), due July 21st.

Chersonesus (M.M.), due August 2nd.

D'Artagnan (M.M.), due September 13th.

Devana (P. & O.), due August 4th.

Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due July 18th.

Eurylochus (Blue Funnel), due September 11th.

Hector (Blue Funnel), due August 25th.

Ixion (Blue Funnel), due July 11th.

Kashgar (P. & O.), due July 7th.

Kashmir (P. & O.), due September 29th.

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Lycan (Blue Funnel), due Sept. 2nd.

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Malaya (P. & O.), due September 15th.

Mantua (P. & O.), due November 11th.

Mendacus (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 12th.

Mongolia (P. & O.), due October 25th.

Morra (P. & O.), due August 18th.

Ningchow (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 27th.

Novara (P. & O.), due July 6th.

Nyanza (P. & O.), due July 7th.

Paul Lear (M.M.), due to-morrow.

Persicus (Blue Funnel), due July 17th.

Philactes (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 5th.

Ramnes (Hamburg Amerika Linie), due this morning.

Ravapindi (P. & O.), due July 21st.

Rhegnor (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 1st.

Santhia (B.I. & Apar), due July 16th.

St. Albans (E. & A.), due Sept. 5th.

Taktiva (B.I. & Apar), due July 11th.

Tara (B.I. & Apar), due July 11th.

Panda (E. & A.), due August 8th.

Telemachus (Blue Funnel), due Aug. 5th.

Tilawa (B.I. & Apar), due July 30th.

Falou (M.M.), due July 22nd.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, July 3rd.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.81	29.83	29.83
Temperature...	77	78	86
Humidity...	98	92	70
Wind...	S	E	S
Direction...	S	E	S
Force...	0	0	0
Weather...	OB	C	C
Rain...	4.00	0.00	0.76

Highest open-air Temperature, 2nd: 83
Lowest open-air Temperature, 3rd: 78

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From July 4th to 10th, 1927.

Days of Week	Date	High Water		Low Water	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Mon.	4	2 14	3.5	5 56	3.5
Tues.	5	3 7	3.9	5 56	3.7
Wed.	6	3 58	4.2	7 13	3.9
Thurs.	7	4 43	4.5	8 15	4.0
Fri.	8	5 18	4.7	9 17	4.2
Sat.	9	5 49	5.2	10 20	4.4
Sun.	10	6 22	5.6	11 19	4.6

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TJIPANAS	JAVA, MANILA	17th "	20th "	SAIGON & JAVA
TJIPANROEM	N. C. & AMOI	18th "	20th "	MACASSAR & JAVA
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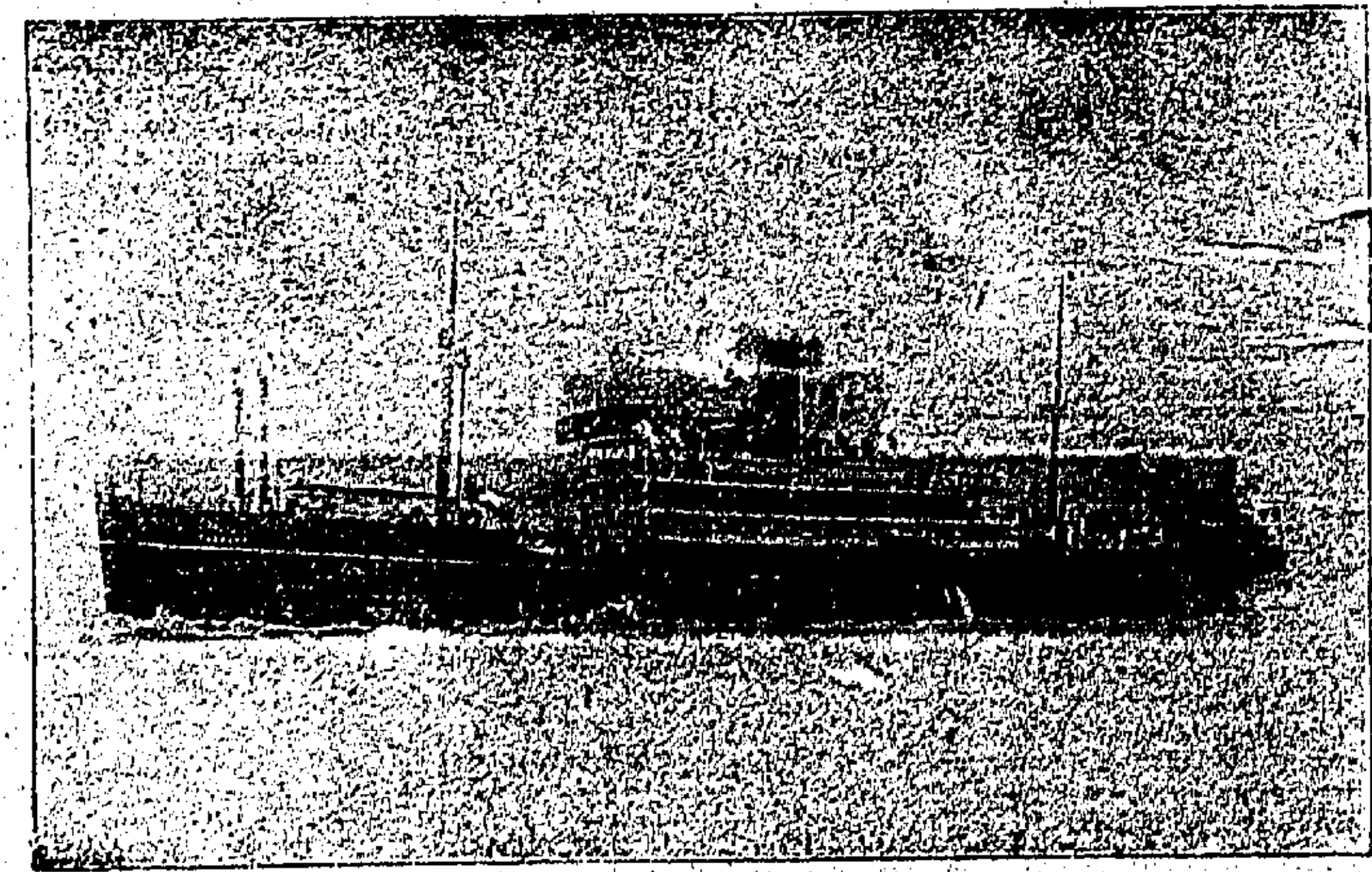
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Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,057 tons, Capt. T. Yasukawa, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C42.—N.Y.K.

Sungang, British str., 1,504 tons, Capt. W. Lumsden, from Shanghai, which port she left on June 28th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9.—R. & S.

Tai Hing, Chinese str., 195 tons, Capt. Ho Yuen, from Aulan, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheung Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.

July 2nd.

Asiatic Prince, British motor ship, 3,784 tons, Capt. J. Duncan, from New York via Shanghai. The former port she left on May 15th and the latter port on June 28th, with 323 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong, lying at buoy No. A4.—Furness (Far East).

Benares, Swedish str., 3,509 tons, Capt. G. A. Haggberg, from Copenhagen and Singapore. The latter port she left on June 28th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B36.—Gillman & Co.

Cymric Pride, British str., 2,439 tons, Capt. J. V. Reed, from Cardiff and Colombo. The latter port she left on June 17th, with a cargo of coal, lying at Yau-mat.—Bank Line.

Fai Ho, Chinese str., 1,139 tons, Capt. J. Augustad, from Bangkok and Swatow, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C42.—Khoo Sing.

Hallie, British str., 1,144 tons, Capt. S. J. Lynch, from Saigon, which port she left on June 27th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C19.—Wo Fat Shing.

Harusan Maru, Japanese str., 1,897 tons, Capt. S. Imai, from Kobe, which port she left on June 28th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B36.—M.B.K.

Hermelin, Norwegian str., 1,163 tons, Capt. J. A. Pedersen, from Bangkok and Hoihow, with rice and coal, lying at buoy No. B47.—Thoresen & Co.

Kiyo Maru, Japanese str., 957 tons, Capt. B. Saito, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C45.—M.B.K.

Lai Sang, British str., 2,224 tons, Capt. P. Jewitt, from Calcutta and Singapore. The latter port she left on June 27th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 47.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. E. G. Rapley, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41.—Yik Tai S.S. Co.

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Sang Bee, British str., 3,782 tons, Capt. E. M. Cotton, from Rangoon and Swatow, lying at buoy No. A26.—Tuen Kee.

Taihou Wang, British str., 1,876 tons, Capt. J. S. de Wolf, from Haiphong, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. B23.—B. & S.

Tankwa Maru, Japanese str., 1,264 tons, Capt. K. Itoh, from Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C46.—O.S.K.

Talpa, British str., 6,154 tons, Capt. R. W. Hocking, from Osaka and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

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Uma, Dutch str., 1,116 tons, Capt. E. Ronkema, from Shanghai, which port she left on June 28th, with 525 cases of candles, lying at Taikeo Dock.—A.P.C.

Valencia, Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. de Munick, from Tamsui, lying at North Point.—A.P.C.

Wingwo, Chinese str., 503 tons, Capt. I. A. de Lemos, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Saikong Wharf.—Yew Kee Co.

July 3rd.

Arafura, British str., 5,597 tons, Capt. A. S. Gordon, from Melbourne, which port she left on June 1st, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Chak Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. J. McAlister, from Calcutta and Singapore. The latter port she left on June 27th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Chung Kong, Chinese str., 447 tons, Capt. Kwok Shan, from Taurane, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C38.—Yau Lee & Co.

Foonhing, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. W. Allen Baich, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B32.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

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Aug. 16	San Francisco	Olympic	Sept. 17	C'burg-S'mptn Sept. 23
Aug. 24	Seattle	Berengaria	Sept. 21	C'burg-S'mptn Sept. 27
Aug. 30	San Francisco	Homeric	Oct. 1	C'burg-S'mptn Oct. 7
Sept. 6	Seattle	Aquitania	Oct. 5	C'burg-S'mptn Oct. 11
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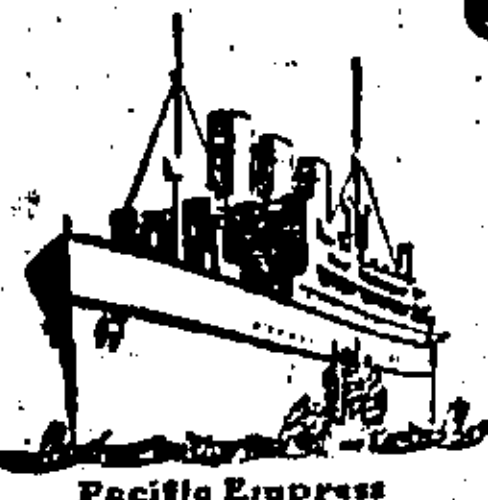


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WEEK-END FREIGHT RETURNS.

SMALL ENTRIES ON
SATURDAY.

BIG INCREASE IN CARGO YESTERDAY.

Freight returns on Saturday, with only five vessels arriving for the previous twenty-four hours, reached a very low level, but yesterday's returns showed a considerable increase in freight. Both Hong Kong cargo and through freights were notably improved, due to a big increase in the number of arrivals, Hong Kong imports being up by over seven times that of Saturday's returns. The rise in through freights was on a similar scale, but a trifle lower.

SATURDAY'S RETURNS.

The freight returns during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday, showed that the figures both for local imports and through cargoes were low. There being only five entries.

The Colony's imports amounted to 3,991 tons. Of these, 3,379 tons were discharged by British steamers. The heaviest return was 2,246 tons of rice on the Kwangtung, from Bangkok.

Through freights totalled to 1,755 tons, of which, 1,700 tons were manifested on the s.s. *Asiatic Prince* (British) from New York and Shanghai.

Arrivals and Departures.

	Arr.	Dep.
British	3	3
Japanese	2	2
Chinese	0	2
Norwegian	0	2
French	0	1
Total	5	11

The Carriers.

S.S. *Kwangtung* (British) from Bangkok, 2,246 tons rice for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Swatow* (British) from Shanghai, 1,300 tons general for Hong Kong.

M.V. *Asiatic Prince* (British) from New York and Shanghai, 323 tons general for Hong Kong and 1,700 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Lushan Maru* (Japanese) from Canton, 55 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Nitto Maru* (Japanese) from Dairen and Canton, 112 tons general for Hong Kong.

YESTERDAY'S RETURNS.

Shipping returns for the period ended at 9 a.m. yesterday showed a considerable increase on the previous day's figures, especially in the case of British ships. Ten British vessels discharged 15,923 tons of cargo in the Colony of a total freight of 28,500, and 12,274 tons of an aggregate through cargo of 20,533 was carried in British bottoms. During the period under review 23 ships entered port. A British ship *Cymric Pride* also headed the list of heavy cargoes with 5,048 tons of coal for Hong Kong. The next best was 4,221 tons of coal for Hong Kong by the *Hararusan Maru*. Other heavy returns were: 3,500 tons of rice for Hong Kong per the British steamer *Taikoo Wan Yi*; 2,531 tons of general per the British *Chak Sang*, and

2,000 tons of rice and general per the British *Haidia*.

Among miscellaneous imports were: 380 tons firewood hump and general per *Arafura*; 300 pigs and 150 cows per *Poo Sang*; and 50 pigs per *Ching Kong*. Shipments of rice for Hong Kong were heavy. In the category of dangerous goods were 100 cases and 12,543 tin boxes of matches per *Taima*, and 214 drums arrack per *Tibodas*.

Arrivals and Departures.

	Arr.	Dep.
British	12	2
Swedish	1	0
Dutch	2	2
Norwegian	1	2
Japanese	3	5
Chinese	4	4
Total	23	15

The Carriers.

S.S. *Chak Sang* (British) from Singapore; 1,440 tons general for Hong Kong, 1,000 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Taima* (British) from Amoy, 2,531 tons general for Hong Kong, 2,100 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Arafura* (British) from Australia and Manila, 680 tons general for Hong Kong, 3,454 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Poo Sang* (British) from Canton, 787 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Lai Sang* (British) from Singapore, 364 tons general for Hong Kong, 1,353 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Kwangtung* (British) from Bangkok, 2,246 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Hai Hong* (British) from Swatow, 410 tons general for Hong Kong, 450 tons wood plants for other ports.

S.S. *Cymric Pride* (British) from Colombo, 5,048 tons of coal for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Haidia* (British) from Saigon, 2,000 tons rice and general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *New Holthide* (British) from Hong Kong, 1,500 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Swatow* (British) from Swatow, 120 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Taikoo Wan Yi* (British) from Haiphong, 3,500 tons rice for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Benares* (Swedish) from Singapore, 387 tons general for Hong Kong, 4,740 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Tibodas* (Dutch) from Balikpapan, 2,820 tons general for Hong Kong, 2,700 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Unio* (Dutch) from Shanghai, 525 cases of candles for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Haidia* (Norwegian) from Hoihow, 1,800 tons rice and meat for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Hararusan Maru* (Japanese) from Moji, 4,221 tons of coal for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Taikoo Maru* (Japanese) from Hoihow, 1,024 tons general for Hong Kong, 553 tons for other ports.

S.S. *Kaijo Maru* (Japanese) from Canton, empty.

S.S. *Pei Hu* (Chinese) from Swatow, 1,200 tons of rice for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Wing Wo* (Chinese) from Macao, 200 tons general for other ports.

S.S. *Poo Sang* (Chinese) from Macao, 100 tons general for Hong Kong.

S.S. *Ching Kong* (Chinese) from Tourane, 400 tons general for Hong Kong.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

PASSENGERS ARRIVING AND LEAVING.

CANTON STEAMERS DOUBLE RUN.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

Conditions at Canton with regard to passengers attempting to leave there for Hong Kong on the Steamboat Company's vessels remain the same, and steamers arrived over the week-end with the numbers prevailing for the past fortnight.

Now that the *Fatshan* has been effected by the C.N.C. officers strike, all the Steamboat vessels on the Hong Kong-Canton run are doing a double run, with the port stop over suspended for the time being.

Arriving and Leaving. Yesterday morning the s.s. *President Jefferson* arrived from Manila with 87 cabin passengers of whom 38 disembarked here. 14 are for Shanghai, 14 for Kobe, three for Yokohama, eight for Honolulu and 10 for San Francisco. The *Jefferson* sails for San Francisco via ports at mid-night to-day. Arriving to-day are the *President Grant* and *President Van Buren*, and these vessels sail for Manila to-morrow at 8 p.m. and 8 a.m., respectively.

The *St. Albans* leaving for Australia and ports on Friday carried from Hong Kong 50 cabin passengers, and the *Fushimi Maru* arriving from Japan and Shanghai had 120 on board, and there were 80 cabin passengers when she left for Europe via ports on Saturday.

Yesterday the s.s. *Laisang* brought papers from Home and Europe via Negapatnam, dated June 22nd.

Deck Passengers.

Asiatic deck passengers entering the Colony for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday totalled 2,170.

Going to Hospital.

During the end of last week, Mr. Robertson, Chief Engineer of the s.s. *Kinsman* was landed for hospital treatment, owing to the bursting of a vein in his leg. Mr. Piper of the s.s. *Lungshan* has been temporarily appointed in his stead.

Chinese Deck Passengers.

There were only 65 Chinese deck passengers entering into the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

Warships in port yesterday were: North Wall Basin: *Wahgar*, *Marston*; South Wall Basin: *Amika*, *Moorehen*; East Wall Basin: *Sms. L.15 and L.19*; West Wall Dock, *Indictive*; In Dock, *Wanderer*; *Sms. L.2 and L.3*; *Taikoo Dock*, *Forplore*; Kowloon Dock, *Caradoc*; No. 1 Buoy, *Hermes*; No. 3, *Delhi*; No. 4, *Thracian*, *Sepoy*; No. 6, *Frobisher*; No. 7, *Danville*; No. 8, *Titanic*; No. 10, *Wild Swan*; No. 11, *Stormcloud*; *Somme*; No. 12, *Brue*; No. 13, *Cicada*; No. 18, *Ruthenia*; No. 25, *Khark*; No. 22, *Maine*; Oil Fuel Petty, *Fortol*.

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"MACEDONIA"	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	27th July	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
"NYANZA"	7,023	3rd Aug.	Straits and Bombay.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	6th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	20th Aug.	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"MOBEA"	10,953	17th Sept.	Marseilles and London.
"KHYBER"	9,114	1st Oct.	do.
"MALWA"	10,986	15th Oct.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	29th Oct.	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	12th Nov.	do.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	26th Nov.	do.
"MANTUA"	10,946	10th Dec.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	24th Dec.	do.

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"TAKLIWA"	7,936	12th July	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	23rd July	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (SOUTH)

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong	Destination
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th July	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"TANDA"	6,956	2nd Sept.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	20th Sept.	do.

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Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong	Destination
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th July, 6 a.m.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	8th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"NYANZA"	7,023	8th July	Shanghai, Kobe and Osaka.
"NOVARA"	6,989	9th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TARA"	8,222	13th July	Shanghai, Kobe and Osaka.
"SANTHIA"	7,754	18th July	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	22nd July	Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	5th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	6,956	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
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"MOBEA"	10,953	10th Dec.	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	24th Dec.	do.
"MALWA"	10,986	7th Jan., 1928	do.
"KHYBER"	9,114	21st Jan., 1928	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	4th Feb., 1928	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	18th Feb., 1928	do.
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